

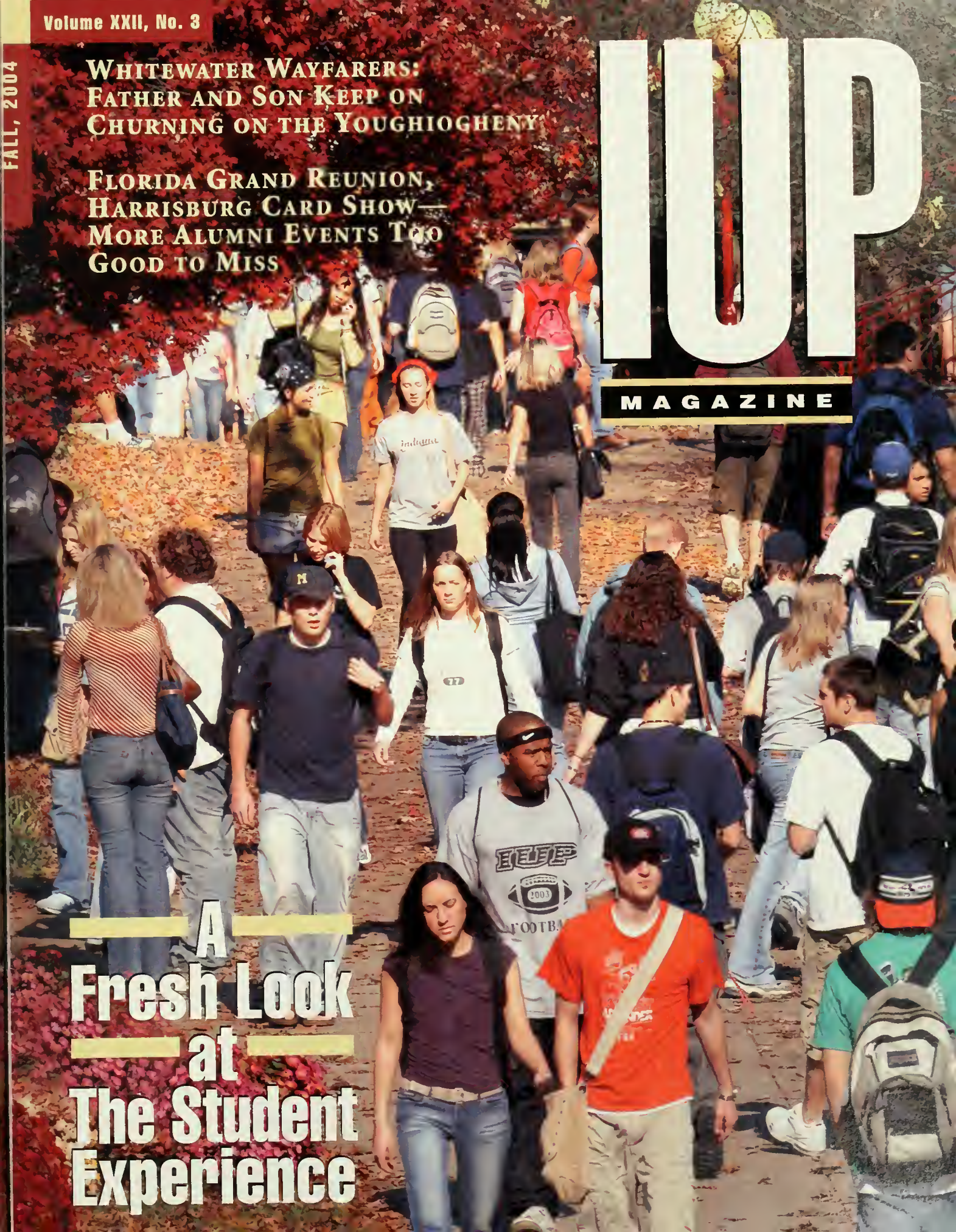
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**A  
Fresh Look  
at  
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# "A LEAP OF IMAGINATION"

By Karen Gresh

**IUP** has always been a place of opportunity. A century ago, students left farms for Indiana Normal School and careers as teachers. Students of later years were often the first in their families to go beyond high school.

The McNair Scholars Program is the next logical step. Identifying undergraduates of high academic promise from low-income, first-generation backgrounds and underrepresented groups, it aims them toward doctoral degrees.

The federally funded program honors the memory of Ronald McNair, an African American Ph.D. in Physics from MIT who, as a NASA astronaut, died in the explosion of the Space Shuttle *Challenger*. IUP has one of only four McNair programs in Pennsylvania—the others are at Penn State, Penn, and Temple. Nationwide, there are about 170.

One of the twenty scholars supported by IUP's program is Franklin Tinsley from West Philadelphia, a senior in Criminology. "McNair has opened up a lot of doors," he said. "Graduate school always seemed like such a different place with different terminology."

Every McNair program has a summer program for its scholars. At IUP's six-week research institute, from mid-May to the end of June, each scholar explores a research topic of his or her choosing. By the end of the six weeks, each is ready to present his or her ideas at a daylong seminar.

Some go even farther to present. Luz Rodriguez, a senior Spanish major in her thirties, recently spoke at a conference in Puerto Rico. Two other IUP scholars were invited to showcase their work at last summer's Tenth Annual Ronald E. McNair Research Conference at Niagara Falls.

Rodriguez spent thirteen years in the military; now, she aspires to earn a Ph.D. "Professors motivate students," she said. In her case, faculty member Marveta Ryan-Sams recommended the McNair program. "I was lucky," Rodriguez said.

With identity theft as his current research interest, Tinsley hopes to focus on computer fraud while he does graduate work in criminal justice. He is also relying on guidance from the McNair program in finding just the right internship.

"Before McNair, there was nothing funded by the federal government that targeted post baccalaureate degrees," according to Calvin Masilela, program director and faculty member in the Department of Geography and Regional Planning. The U.S. Department of Education inaugurated McNair with fourteen pilot sites in 1989.

"Funding is reviewed for each site every four years and is based on performance," Masilela said. "As long as a university meets its target, it retains its funding." IUP's program currently receives \$220,000 a year.

In addition to the IUP McNair summer program, enrichment opportunities offered include museums, operas, and cultural experiences. Last summer, the scholars explored the nation's heritage in Washington, D.C., as they also visited graduate schools and George Washington and Howard universities. Each scholar selects an academic mentor in his or



her discipline. These mentors play, Masilela said, "a critical role throughout the year, as the students work on their research proposals." Soon, IUP will have its own McNair journal to exhibit the results of the students' research.

"Going to graduate school can be scary," Masilela said, "especially if you don't have role models to follow. What we're trying to provide is a leap of imagination."

At IUP, according to Masilela, "McNair students come from all backgrounds, from rural to urban." At this time, all are Pennsylvanians. "Our kids can stand up against anybody," Masilela said. "They are that good."

Matthew Fedinick is a junior from Indiana with a double major in International Studies and Religious Studies. He is examining, as his research interest, religious themes in video games. "McNair has given me the determination to go ahead and continue to graduate school," he said.

Help in preparing for the Graduate Record Examination is another facet of McNair's assistance, as is finding assistantships and fellowships for graduate school. Both are critical in the eyes of Edward Brown, who, as a high school student, benefited from Talent Search, a federal endeavor similar to McNair. Masilela said that the first program "motivated Eddie to seek a college education upon graduating from high school."

Brown's research topic focuses on retention issues of African American male students at IUP. A junior Sociology major from Reading, he wants to earn a master's degree in social work and to work with children. "Talent Search and the McNair program," he said, "have given me a window of opportunity to bigger and better things. This is my ticket to graduate school." 🐼





# THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

PHOTOGRAPHY BY KEITH BOYER





It's good to be green when you're the Slimer from Ghostbusters and the event is the annual Nonalcoholic Drink Mix-off. It's good to find warmth in a barrel when you've spent the night in a cardboard shelter in order to raise awareness of homelessness. It's good to be jubilant, celebrating athletic victories or singing with the Voices of Joy.

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Students find many means of self-expression: music, drama, Kipp Gallery art exhibitions in Sprowls Hall, and even cold, raw aggression in the snow.



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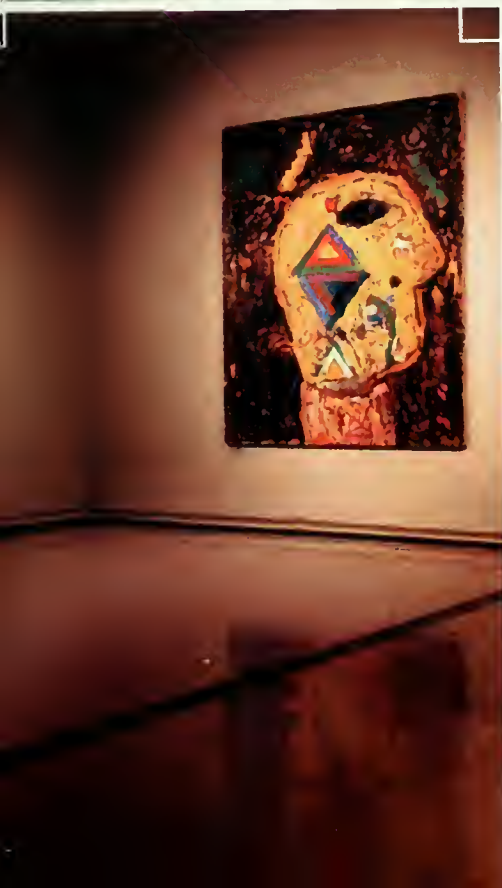


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## THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE







## BY INTERIM PRESIDENT DIANE REINHARD

**T**he student experience began this year for nearly three thousand freshmen with a hectic but exciting check-in day, as nervous family members said their good-byes. Throughout the next week, students added and dropped courses, met new friends, bought textbooks, and navigated their way across campus. Some knew exactly what careers they wanted to pursue at the end of their college careers; others weren't so sure.

The experiences of these students in the next few years will encompass the classroom and go beyond. There will be trips to the student ski lodge, Indiana Mall, Yellow Creek State Park, and to many of the businesses and restaurants uptown. The students will join fraternities and sororities, participate in professional organizations associated with their major, write for *The Penn*, and join student government and the Residence Hall Association.

# THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Our varsity athletes will win many games as they proudly represent their university on the courts and fields of competition. Friendships will grow, time will march on, and in a few short years, graduation will be upon these freshmen. *Pomp and Circumstance* will echo through Miller Stadium, and another class of seniors will join 85,000 alumni who are already making their way in the world. IUP, like all universities, provides education inside and outside the classroom. The student experience is different for each person.

This fall, alumni and friends of IUP are hearing more about the student experience through a series of direct-mail pieces, from students by telephone, and in articles throughout the next several issues of *IUP Magazine*. Today, IUP has three campuses, including 349 acres in Indiana. In 1875, there were fewer than a hundred students the entire school; in 2004, nearly fourteen thousand

underclassmen and graduate students attend class each day.

The cost of running IUP has also increased and changed in many ways. The biggest misconception about IUP is that all costs of educating students are totally covered by a combination of tuition and the state budget. This is simply not true. Even if there were increases to tuition and to the budget each year (which is not the case), the university would still need to rely upon private sources—philanthropic giving—to fund the student experience at a level of excellence.

IUP needs to follow the example set by private institutions and larger public universities. There, alumni and friends play a significant role in the student experience through their financial support, thus assuring the excellence of the student experience. Today's students in turn will be responsible for investing in the students of tomorrow.

The top need of IUP as part of the student experience is scholarships. Today, the average IUP student graduates with over \$17,000 in debt. Many must also work at more than one job during their college careers. Additional scholarship support would give such students more time to experience the university more fully.

In 2004, students review financial aid packages with a critical eye, knowing that more aid will mean less debt at the end of four years. They take this into account, along with such variables as how good the library is or how well equipped the student union. While students make a decision on where to attend college based on a number of factors, IUP's ability to provide attractive financial aid packages will draw to it the best possible students.

Not only are alumni and friends part of IUP's past, but they are also critical to its future. Your support will assure the continuation of high-quality education at a great price. This year, you will learn more about the student experience. I encourage you to give serious consideration to joining those already supporting IUP. Your gift, be it \$50, \$100 or \$500, will enhance student life. On behalf of the entire university community, I thank you for the part you play in enriching the IUP student experience. 🐾

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# A MESSAGE TO ALUMNI *from* MATT HUGHES

**W**hen I left IUP in 1989, little did I realize that I would be returning fifteen years later to lead the university's Institutional Advancement Division (for those of you in the nonacademic world, that's fundraising, alumni relations, and marketing/communications). To my fellow classmates and other alumni, I am happy to report that IUP has grown stronger in many ways since we last walked through the Oak Grove. Here are some examples:

IUP was recognized last year as one of the "Top 25 Most Connected Campuses" in the country by The Princeton Review.

Both The Princeton Review and *U.S. News and World Report* chose us as one of the three hundred best colleges in the nation (context: there are more than three thousand colleges and universities in the country).

The Robert E. Cook Honors College was featured in a recent book entitled *Cool Colleges for the Hyper-Intelligent, Self-Directed, Late Blooming and Just Plain Different*. The Honors College each year competes for the best students in the country to attend IUP.

IUP annually produces athletic teams and individuals that compete for championships on the conference, regional, and national levels. The 2003-04 school year saw four teams qualify for NCAA postseason play and numerous individuals qualify for honors. Our athletes have excelled in their sports and in the classroom. In the last academic year, more than a third of our intercollegiate athletes were named PSAC Scholar-Athletes because of their grade-point average.

IUP has become student friendly—you can register for classes on line; Clark Hall has been converted to a "one-stop" site for all other student services such as financial aid; the recreation center in an expanded Hadley Union Building (student center) rivals any athletic club; and the annoying charges we remember as nickel-and-dime stuff, such as a graduation fee, have been eliminated and worked into the overall cost of attending IUP.

I am proud to be a graduate of IUP, and I hope you are, too. We are 85,000 alumni strong, with graduates in all fifty states and many foreign countries. While our strengths are many, there are a few glaring weaknesses that are hurting our ability to compete for students.

As you can see from the president's comments in this issue, we are rededicating the entire university to investing in the Student Experience. We need faculty, staff, the community, and alumni to turn that experience from a good one to a great one.

When I meet with alumni in person, they often ask me what they can do. As I start to smile, everyone knows what's coming: "You can support IUP financially. Invest in the Student Experience." Start

today if you are not currently giving to IUP, and I don't mean thousands of dollars. If you have been out fewer than five years, consider giving \$106. If you have been out five years or more, consider giving \$212.

Nationally, IUP competes against other public, doctoral-granting universities in rural settings. The average alumni gift of the eight schools that most resemble IUP—our peer institutions, against which we benchmark—is \$212. Our average alumni gift is \$140. In real terms, this means less money for student scholarships and less money to support students. The amount you give to IUP is less important than being a consistent donor.

Again, I ask each of you to start today and to give each year. Your small gift to IUP, when combined with the gifts of others, will provide a large amount of money cumulatively that we can use to provide students with financial aid and to enhance student life on a daily basis.

You can also get involved with IUP. Help with the organization of an alumni chapter or event; serve on an advisory board for your college; help the admissions office recruit new students; volunteer to be an advocate for support for IUP; or assist the Career Services office to find an IUP graduate a job. Great universities have active and involved alumni. Donate your time as well as your financial resources. For some, this will be an hour or two annually; others can give an hour or two per month. As

with giving, the amount is not important; the commitment to get involved today is.

Finally, be IUP Proud. Be successful in business and successful in life. All of us took away great memories from here, friendships to last a lifetime. For some it was a spouse or business partner. For others it's simply someone to call and share a memory of your days on campus. Inform others about what makes IUP special. Tell them about why they might like to send a child to school here. Let them know why IUP is someplace special. And when you have time, come back and join us for Homecoming or another event. Many great changes have taken place to our alma mater, but you'll find that there are still many reminders here that will take you back to your days at IUP. 🐼





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## BEYOND THE BOOKS

BY MARILYN KUKULA

PHOTOGRAPHY BY BARRY REEGER



On dry land: Jim Timpe, left, and his son, Luke

**A** black rubber raft races through Youghiogheny River whitewater. The inexperienced crew is facing fast, high-water conditions from the spring runoff.

Ahead, a boulder the size of a house lies hidden beneath the surface. Fortunately, the whitewater guide knows it's there and what to do about it. He aims the raft around the tough spots and helps the crew paddle hard to hit the rapids just right.

"The river can be powerful, but the more you're on it, and the more experience you get, the more comfortable you get with the water," said Luke Timpe, an IUP junior and whitewater guide from Homer City, Pa.

Timpe, 24, started whitewater rafting as a child and has guided raft trips down the Youghiogheny in Pennsylvania's Ohiopyle State Park for more than five years. He's the second generation in his family to master the whitewater as a guide.

His father, Jim Timpe, also an IUP student, worked full-time as a river guide for a decade or so in the early seventies and part-time after that. He introduced his wife, Nancy, and all five of their children to river rafting. "It has been a unique part of our life together," he said.

Along with rubber rafts, the Timpes have paddled whitewater canoes, kayaks, and a specialized raft called a shredder that is more

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## Graduates Hear from Higher Ed Official

**S**ally Stroup was honored by the IUP Alumni Association with a Distinguished Alumni Award just before she provided the commencement address at last May's ceremonies. As the nation's assistant secretary for Postsecondary Education, she is the U.S. Department of Education's top policymaker on higher education issues.

After graduating from IUP in 1978 with a bachelor's degree in

Criminology Pre-Law, Stroup earned a Juris Doctor degree at Loyola University in New Orleans. For twelve years, she worked with the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency, one of the nation's largest full-service financial aid organizations. When she left the agency in 1993, she was senior vice president of Legal Services and chief counsel.

Stroup served eight years as a professional staff member for the U.S.

House of Representatives Committee on Education and the Workforce, playing a key legislative role in the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act Amendments of 1998. Prior to joining the Department of Education, she was director of Industry and Government Affairs for the Apollo Group, Inc., which has as a subsidiary the University of Phoenix.

### A Club with More than 80,000 Members

**A**s its program year got underway in July, the IUP Alumni Association Board of Directors welcomed new members and said goodbye to others.

New members are Sandra Hoover Diefenderfer '67, Suzanne Kuhn Teele '82, and James Wansacz '94. Those departing include John Kennedy '67, Howard Russell '89, and David Siesko '83 (who, as a past association president, will continue to serve in an ex-officio capacity).

The association's officers are David Mawhinney '86, president; David Reddick '82, vice president; Catherine BurgerLeister '78, secretary; and Lawrence Claus '67, M'70, treasurer. Other board members are Marcia Tokar Arena '85, Lewis Brindle '75, Bonnie Curry Brose '67, Felicia Fred '81, David Gildea '78, Donald Howe '79, Ellen Sylves Ruddock '66, Gregory Steve '88, and Dennis Stover '76.

Activities sponsored by the association include award programs for Distinguished Alumni and Young Alumni Ambassadors, admissions

recruitment, career mentoring, and reunions and gatherings across the U.S. Alumni automatically become association members upon their graduation.

### Rocking for Charity

**D**onating concert profits to charity is something that most people are familiar with. What is unusual is a band that donates all of its proceeds from every concert. Since the mid-1990s, the Pittsburgh area Businessmen have done just that, playing R&B and raising more than \$100,000 for over thirty charities, primarily benefiting children and family causes.

Core members of the band are John Collins '83 and Brad Turner '88. As roommates at IUP, Collins and Turner were in a band called 4 Play, playing gigs at the student union, fraternity parties, and often at the The Coney. Turner was a member of the IUP Marching Band and the 10 O'clock Jazz band, but after graduating he didn't play for nearly a decade. After college, Collins jumped between various bands in the Pittsburgh area, finally taking a break when his daughter was born.

In 1996, he joined the Businessmen on bass, sax, and vocals. Turner was soon added on keyboard, trombone, and vocals.

*For the full article about the Businessmen, plus photographs, visit IUP Magazine Web Exclusives on line at [www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag/](http://www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag/)*



Sally Stroup





### Clear Pool Camp

This morning, on my way to work, I thought about a group of people whom I haven't seen nor heard from in many years. They were part of one of the best times of my life and my family's life and they were mostly Indiana grads. To be more accurate, they were undergrads.

Back in the late Fifties and early Sixties, my mother, Margaret "Peggy" Davis, was the nurse at a camp in Carmel, N.Y., that was run by the Boys' Club of New York. It was called Clear Pool Camp. The director, William Elrod Petty, had a vision of turning the summer camp for underprivileged boys into an educational camp where they might learn the trades, sort of a vocational school. He spent most of his free time trying to further that dream. One of his initial efforts was to upgrade the quality of the summer camp counselors by recruiting college students to replace the "city kids" who once ruled the roost. For several years, most of those counselors came from Indiana State Teachers College. They were a wonderful bunch of young men who became like family to us Davises. My mother kept in touch with some of them for a few years but eventually lost track.

For me and my two younger brothers, Glenn and Wayne, Clear Pool was such a part of our lives that our wives are tired of hearing "camp" stories. The years we spent there were full of very warm memories, many involving Indiana students. One year, the camp held a big competition between the "Collegiates" and the

"Blivits." Most of the Collegiates were Indiana guys or from California, Pennsylvania. The Blivits were the "old" school counselors and staff. The kids watched and cheered for their favorite teams while they played softball or volleyball or whatever.

This morning, some stream of consciousness got me to thinking about them and where they might all be now. I'm sure many are close to retiring from long careers in education. I know my mother would love to hear about or from some of them.

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### Seeing Is Believing

Congratulations on a great article and subject (Summer, 2004). The work done by the Millwards and Beth Palilla using the art of Robert Griffing along with original relics is outstanding and to be highly commended, as are you for printing it. For years I've wanted to submit an article to a professional magazine on the use of primary source material such as artifacts and relics in classes, but never got around to it. Now I am retired and can spend more time doing things I've always wanted to do, so I'm working on two articles for magazines and a book on collecting relics, as well as speaking for groups on historical topics.

Ever since my earliest days at ISC/IUP, I have pushed teachers to understand that it takes more than just knowledge of the subject, and to put forth a bit more effort, and also some bucks in order to improve their students'

classroom experience. As an undergrad, I had Miss Jane Mervine for a class on teaching and we had to come up with a sample lesson. I brought in a Confederate coat, wooden-soled shoes, and some other Civil War relics and talked about how much more students could learn about the war and those who fought it if only they could see such things. Miss Mervine was very excited about it and later, as my visiting or critic teacher when I was student teaching at Punxsutawney Junior High, she concurred with my supervising instructor, Mr. Frank Shaw, that I should get the first A he had ever given to a student teacher. Interestingly enough, the man who followed me the next semester was also a collector, and he got the second.

Throughout my thirty-five years of teaching, and also in the Army, I used these items to boost interest and motivate my students. Yes, it required the investment of some extra time and money to learn about such relics and buy them, as well as to travel to historic sites to take slides or photos and procure bulletin board materials to provide a backdrop for the relic displays, but it was well worth it. Now I have realized considerable appreciation on the value, and still use these things in presenting programs for my historical society, as well as schools, clubs, churches, and social groups. It also helps to be a little crazy and act out some of the things you're talking about. To further illustrate my point, one day the announcements came on and reminded the teachers that the next day would be an Act 80 Day. One of my students asked me what we did

on those days. I replied that we worked on ways to improve teaching our students. He came back instantly with, "Why don't you try to get some of the teachers a personality?" Then he added, "and interest in their subject." I think that says a lot. We've got to do something to improve the teaching in our schools in all subjects, but especially in the (shudder...I hate the term) Social Studies. There is a perception that these subjects, and especially history, are the most boring subjects in school, but this is true only if the teacher is boring and not overly interested as well. I think I proved that abundantly at Neshannock, where I taught.

Many of my students became so interested in history that they went into teaching it themselves, and several told me to urge my students to keep their notebooks for use in college because, as one put it, "We didn't go nearly as deeply into the Revolutionary or Civil Wars as we did in your class, and we could impress the professors with the information you gave us." One of these students, Dana Shoaf, is now the editor of *America's Civil War* magazine, and another, Michael Kraus, is an historical sculptor, having done the statue of Colonel Strong Vincent in Erie, and has been military advisor on the films *Gettysburg* and *Cold Mountain*, and I am quite proud of them both. Mike also has produced several Civil War tapes/DVDs titled *Civil War Minutes I* and *Civil War Minutes II-Confederate*, in which some of my collection is featured, and I also had the pleasure of narrating it. I think we can make a very significant impact on our



students if only we put forth a little more effort.

*Charles (Chuck) King '61, M'69  
New Castle, Pa.*

### More Teaching Tools

**A**s an educator I was fascinated to read about Bob and Kathleen Millward's efforts to teach history through artwork (Summer, 2004). This is a wonderful way to make the French and Indian War come to life for the students. I would like to extend the opportunity to the Millwards, and all educators, to enhance and update their teaching tools by using the site [www.army-heritage.org](http://www.army-heritage.org) to further extend the meaningful learning experience. There they will find links to the Virtual Museum, which contains three exhibits focusing on different wars in our nation's history.

Of particular interest is the contribution by Willard Dominick '46, WWII veteran and IUP alumnus from the Class of 1946 (currently available only on CD-ROM, as the site is still under construction). His paintings, sketches, journal entries, and a video interview provide an intimate portrait of life as a soldier in the South Pacific. Mr. Dominick was featured in the Summer, 2001, issue of *IUP Magazine* in the "More Special People" section. He has donated his collection of artifacts, letters, journals, and artwork to the U.S. Army Military History Institute at the War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Much of this contribution can be viewed (along with sound bites) on the previously mentioned website and serves as firsthand documentation of WWII. Willard Dominick continues to create paintings on a wide range of subjects, and he exhibits his work throughout the nation. One painting, *Broomrakes*, is on display in the office suite of IUP's vice president for Institutional Advancement, 301 John Sutton Hall.

*Susan Dominick Mussoline '71  
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.*



## Two Yankees Join Randle El in Harrisburg

**F**ormer New York Yankees stars Sparky Lyle and Johnny Blanchard will sign autographs on Saturday, February 19, 2005, and current Pittsburgh Steeler wide receiver and return specialist Antwaan Randle El will sign them the next day at the Harrisburg Area IUP Alumni Chapter's sports card show. The show is held annually at the Harrisburg Mall, located off the I-83 and Paxton Street Exit. Readers of *IUP Magazine* can order advance autograph tickets for use at the show or purchase autographs by mail on eight-by-ten-inch color photos.

According to Carl Hisiro '76, the show's promoter, Lyle starred with the Yankees in the 1970s and played on two World Series teams, including the 1977 championship team; that was the same year Lyle won the American League Cy Young award as the year's top pitcher. A three-time American League All-Star, Lyle will sign autographs at the show for \$25 each on eight-by-ten inch color photos, cards, or baseballs. Autographs on bats and game jerseys will be \$35 each.

With the Yankees from 1959 until he was traded

Antwaan Randle El

during the 1965 season, Blanchard played on five World Series teams with the Yankees, including the championship seasons in 1961 and 1962. Blanchard was a key player in the 1961 season, hitting twenty-one home runs, often late in the game as a pinch hitter. His autographs will be \$10 each on any item.

Antwaan Randle El is one of the fastest-rising stars on the current Pittsburgh Steelers roster as both a wide receiver and record-breaking return specialist. Randle El's autographs at the show will cost \$25 each on flat items and \$35 each on footballs, jerseys, and helmets.

The sports card show will feature sixty dealer tables, selling vintage and new sports cards, sports memorabilia and collectibles, and nonsports cards. Proceeds from the three-day show and from the autograph signings will be donated by the chapter to the Foundation for IUP for the chapter's scholarship endowment fund that benefits IUP students from the Harrisburg/York/Lancaster area and for IUP's Regional Development Center. The chapter has donated \$50,000 from previous card shows to the Foundation, including approximately \$33,000 to the scholarship endowment fund. More than \$12,000 was realized from the 2004 show.

Mail order prices (which include return postage and handling) are \$32, \$17, and \$32 for Lyle, Blanchard, and Randle El, respectively, for an eight-by-ten inch color photo supplied by the chapter. For other mail order items, readers should call Hisiro to obtain pricing and mailing instructions. Those planning to attend the show to obtain autographs may order tickets in advance by sending a check, made payable to Carl Hisiro, to him prior to the show at 108 Nicolas Court, Harrisburg, PA 17110. For advance ticket sales only, a self-addressed stamped envelope should accompany the order.

The chapter has a limited number of autographs on color photos of former New York Yankees greats Bobby Richardson, Tommy Henrich, Gil McDougald, Tom Tresh, Joe Pepitone, Bob Turley, and Ryne Duren; former Pittsburgh Pirates greats Vernon Law, Bob Friend, and Kevin Young; and former Pittsburgh Steelers stars Mike Wagner and John Fuqua for sale from previous shows. For information on those items or about the upcoming show, call Hisiro at (717) 545-1181 or e-mail him at [chisiro@paonline.com](mailto:chisiro@paonline.com).



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## CLASSNOTES

### Designation of Codes

- AA** Associate of Arts Degree  
**CA** Academy of Culinary Arts  
**D** Doctoral Degree  
**M** Master's Degree

### 1950s

Still an active painter and printmaker with studios in Texas and Colorado, JULIANNE ADDIS BIEHL '52 lives in Dallas with her husband, Edward.

Members of the Class of 1954 who met in the Oak Grove during Freshman Orientation, CLYDE AND BARBARA CONNER MCGEARY celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in August. Class president at Indiana,

Clyde later became chief of the Division of Arts and Sciences for the Pennsylvania Department of Education and a recipient of IUP's Distinguished Alumni Award. Barbara was class secretary and later an administrator with the Harrisburg School District, founding and managing the Riverside Center for the Arts. Residents of Camp Hill for forty years, the McGearys have four children and seven grandchildren.

### 1960s

The owner of Write-Choice Services, Inc., JANET COMSTOCK LITHERLAND '60 has authored numerous books, stories, and articles and has a website at [www.janetlitherland.com](http://www.janetlitherland.com).

New York City resident THOMAS MURRY '64 was named to the scientific advisory board of the Pan European Voice Congress, a society for increasing the scientific and clinical knowledge of voice production through research and practice.

Retired for four years after twenty-three years of Arizona state service, Phoenix resident DON BEGAKE '65 is on the Board of Directors of the Grand Canyon State Credit Union.

After fourteen years as supervisor and assistant superintendent in the Department of Catholic Schools, PATRICIA METZGER LIVINGSTON '67 was appointed superintendent of the Catholic Elementary Schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. She lives in Sunland, Calif., with her husband, Michael.

Two watercolor paintings by Ohio resident SALLY SMITH HESTON '68, an art instructor at Virginia Marti College, are included in the 2004 Mid-Year National Painting Show at the Butler Art Institute in Youngstown, and one of the paintings is included in the book *Splash 8—Watercolor Discoveries*. She lives in Broadview Heights with her husband, Newt.

KAREN SADAR WATT '69 and her husband, Michael, have moved from New Orleans to Meridian, Mo., where she is a staff nurse and midwife at Rush Medical Center.

### 1970s

Retired after thirty-four years teaching special education in Pittsburgh public schools, SUSAN MANN HIRSCH '70 and her husband, Clive, moved to Jerusalem, Israel, to join seven of their nine children. Fellow alumni can reach them at [mothernature1948@yahoo.com](mailto:mothernature1948@yahoo.com).

A licensed psychologist and fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives, RICHARD KOCHER '71, M'73 received his Juris Doctor degree from Penn State and lives in Camp Hill, Pa., with his wife, Nancy.

VICTORIA FORINGER RICH '71, '79 is an adjunct professor of nursing at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing and is the chief nursing officer at the university hospital. She lives in Lutz, Fla., with her husband, Alexander Rich, an IUP professor emeritus of psychology.

EDWARD SIWAK '72, an assistant professor at Baylor College of Medicine, lives in Houston with his wife, Doris.

KATHY (KASI) CAMPBELL '73, associate artistic director for the last ten years of the Rep Stage theater company in Columbia, Md., received the Helen Hayes Award for Outstanding Director for her production of *The Dazzle*. This was the third nomination for the Ellicott City resident, who lives with her husband, Shawn, and daughter, Regan, who represented the U.S. at the World All-Ireland Music Competitions in County Tipperary, Ireland, in August.

Nashville resident DEBORAH FLEMING '74 is project manager of the Tennessee Department of Transportation's first multimodal transportation plan.

## Awards

### International Publishing Management Association and In-Plant Graphics First Place Award and Best of Show

To IUP Printing Services, for its work on the Eastern Woodland Indians packet for the grant-funded project, Teaching of History Through the Art of Robert Griffing, described in the Summer, 2004, edition of *IUP Magazine*.

### APEX Awards of Excellence

To the IUP Communications Group, for the undergraduate viewbook used for admissions purposes and for Through a Student's Eyes, a profile of IUP students created by students. The award is presented by Communications Concepts.

### Jules and Gwen Knapp Excellence in Free Enterprise Scholarship

To Abby Houck, a senior marketing major from Carlisle, Pa., who has served for two years as president of IUP's chapter of Students in Free Enterprise.

### David L. Boren Scholarship Award

Awarded by the National Security Education Program to Catriona Lunsford, a junior political science major from Chambersburg, Pa., who is currently studying in Jordan.

### Foundation for IUP Community Volunteer Service Award

To Melissa Swindel, a History Pre-Law major from Toledo, Ohio.

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## Reunion:

Left to right at Lely Resort: Mario Lacenere '61, Frank Cignetti '60, M'65, Sam Scavo '61, George Wise '62, and Don Gill '62

Sam Scavo



## Reunion:

Phi Mu sisters, left to right: Marlene Inman Scavo '59, Dianne Sleigh Aikey '57, and Lori Vota Stevenson '57. Many more photos from the Florida reunions are on *IUP Magazine's* Web Extra website.

# Invitation to a Reunion

*Editor's Note: A popular late-winter gathering in Florida just keeps getting more popular. Sam Scavo '61 provided the following account of how it all started, along with an invitation to the 2005 edition.*

**A**thletes, friends, classmates, fraternity brothers, sorority sisters, and spouses from ISTC, ISC, and IUP have been meeting in Florida for the last eight years.

It all began when Marlene Inman Scavo '59 and Sam Scavo '61 made plans to visit Maryann and Ken Rometo '62 in Sarasota for a long weekend in 1997. Prior to their visit, they contacted other alumni living in Florida and Georgia and talked about the upcoming visit to Sarasota. As a result, that visit became an impromptu reunion of friends. Attending were Mickey and Bill Hoffman '60, the Rometos, Bobbie Saylor Cleminson '62 and Bob Cleminson '59, Ossie Rometo '62, Tony Catanese '65, Matt Catanese '63, Don Weidenweber '63, and the Scavos.

That reunion began with a casual happy hour and dinner at the Hyatt Hotel, during which friendships were renewed, stories told, and good times remembered. The following day, Bob and Bobbie Cleminson invited the group to their home for more catching up

on news of families and friends.

After a photo from that gathering was published in *IUP Magazine*, many of those pictured were called by others, who wanted to know why they had not been invited. They asked to be included in the next get-together. Since then, the number of alumni contacted annually has grown to over a hundred.

The coordinators in Florida in subsequent years have included Bob and Bobbie Cleminson, who, from 1998 to 2001, were the gracious hosts for the get-togethers at the Mission Valley Golf and Country Club in Nokomis. Ken and Mary Ann Rometo were hosts for the 2002 event that was held at the Café of the Arts in Sarasota.

Since 2003, Lorna and Don Gill '62 and Betty and George Glarner '56 have been hosts for the golf, social, and dinner events at Lely Resort in Naples. The largest turnout of IUP alumni, spouses, and friends occurred in 2004.

The 2005 reunion will be held again at Lely Resort in Naples the last weekend of February or the first weekend of March. Those who would like to be included should contact Sam Scavo by phone (253-581-0168), by e-mail at [samiup@gte.net](mailto:samiup@gte.net), or by mail (99 Madrona Park Drive, Steilacoom, WA 98388-1421).

## This Bank Won't Fold

**C**omedy and improv are the weekly staples at the Vault Theater, housed in a small triangular building in Natrona, Pa.

Founded by Oakmont residents Scott and Tara Mascara Whitehair and David Fedor, all graduates of the IUP Class of 2002, the Vault Theater features Dave and Scott, along with other local actors, performing a weekly improv show called "Show and Tell," a food-themed sketch show called "Chronic Mastication," and music on Friday nights that includes jazz, blues, metal, pop, country, rock, and folk.

The theater setting is intimate. With room for seventy people, the farthest seat is only about twelve feet away from the thrust stage. The building used to house a bank, and one of the most unusual features is the dressing room/green room—it's the bank vault, original door and all, standing just behind stage right.

For the full article about the Vault Theater, plus photographs, visit IUP Magazine Web Exclusives on line at [www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag/webextra/exclusives](http://www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag/webextra/exclusives).

## The Company We Keep

**S**ally Stroup '78, assistant secretary for Postsecondary Education for the U.S. Department of Education, served as the featured speaker at the May commencement ceremony.

Three Mo' Tenors performed on campus in September as part of the OnStage Arts and Entertainment Series.

Through the Wilfred E. Helwig Distinguished Artist Series, pianist Roger Williams performed on campus in October.



JILL SCHUMANN '75, president and CEO of Lutheran Services in America, is on the 2004 *NonProfit Times* Power and Influence Top 50 list. She lives in Gettysburg with her husband, Mark.

PATRICIA CARR '76, M'81, president of Pittsburgh-based Oakmont Consulting Group and an adjunct faculty member in the University of Pittsburgh's College of Business Administration, contributed an article to the August, 2004, issue of *Training and Development Magazine*.

Program coordinator at Kansas State University, from which she

received her Ph.D. in Adult, Occupational, and Continuing Education, JANET HUDZICKI '78 lives in Manhattan, Kan., with her husband, Lyle Noordhoek.

A member of O'Brien, Rulis, and Bochicchio, Allison Park resident CHRISTOPHER RULIS '78 was inducted as a fellow in the Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County, Pa.

DAVID BARKHYMER '79, music director for St. John Neumann Catholic Church, and his wife, TANA HEFFNER BARKHYMER '79, music director for the Church of the Risen Savior, live in Lakeville, Minn., with their daughters, Alison and Gina.

WILLIAM ESHMONT '79, president of Domino Amjet, lives in Deerfield, Ill., with his wife, Anna, and their daughter, Kendall.

MARK "FAZ" FASSIO '79 retired from the Air Force and is teaching Junior ROTC at Henry County High School, and his wife, MARGARET BERGER FASSIO '83, who heads her parish's Bible study, works at Curves for Women, and is president of the school's band booster organization. They live in Pendleton, Ky., with their children, Carolyn, Christopher, and Michael.

SOPHIE WISNIEWSKI PENNEY '79, M'80 is director of development and alumni relations for the College of the Liberal Arts at Penn State.

Human development professor and director of the Center for Gerontology at Virginia Tech, KAREN ROBERTO '79 received the 2004 Gordon Streib Academic Gerontologist Award from the Southern Gerontological Society and was awarded fellow status by the National Council for Family Relations.

The reverend PAUL SIEBERT '79, pastor of St. Mark Roman Catholic Church in Emporium, Pa., released a self-produced jazz guitar CD titled *Lessons in Jazz*.

Moon Township resident JOHN SMITH '79 is a controller with Hyperion Business Solutions.

## 1980s

LISA HASSAN DEStEFANO '80, a medical technologist at Mercy Jeannette Hospital, lives in Latrobe with her husband, Mark, and their son, Jacob.

After fifteen years with U.S. Airways, KIM MATARRESE SMITH '80 was promoted to International Customer Service Systems Analyst. She lives in Leetsdale, Pa., with her son, Billy.

Pittsburgh resident DENNIS GILFOYLE '81, senior vice president of Junior Achievement of Southwest Pennsylvania, received the organization's twenty-year service award.

Superintendent of the public schools in Brookline, Mass., BILL LUPINI '81 lives in Beverly with his wife, Darlene, and children, Matthew, Meredith, and Kristen.

TERRI CARSON MEDICE '81 lives in Leechburg, Pa., with her husband, ED MEDICE '91, owner of Personal Plus Fitness Center, and their daughter, Kirsten.

PATRICIA GREGORY PHILLIPS '81, vice president and project manager at Mellon Financial Corporation, is a certified treasury professional with the Association for Financial Professionals and recently earned a Doctor of Science degree in Information Systems and Communications from Robert Morris University. She lives in Pittsburgh with her husband, Steve.

ERIK RUTKOWSKI '81, an attorney, lives in Bellefonte, Pa., and is licensed to practice law in California, Texas, and Pennsylvania.

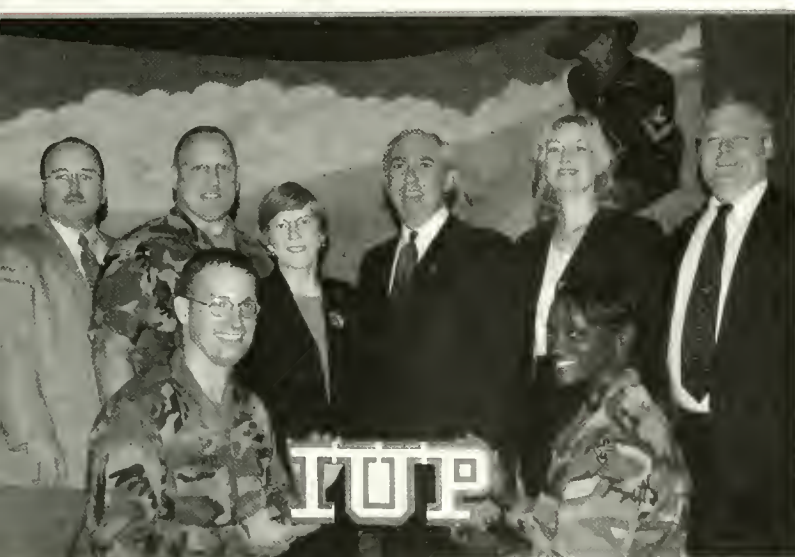
Senior product manager for PNC's e-Healthcare Solutions, DANIEL BRAZEN '82, M'83 was appointed to a three-year term on the Professional Chapters Council, advisory board to the American Marketing Association. He lives in Moon Township with his wife, Natalie, and sons, Isaiah, Isaac, and Josiah.

Major THERESA TIMCIK LENGENFELDER '82, who retired from the U.S. Air Force this past spring, lives in Washington, D.C., with her husband, Douglas.

A special events coordinator for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Berks County, DINA NUNZIATA SCHOCK '82 lives in Sinking Spring, Pa., with her husband, Rodney.

MARY ANN DOWNING-TONDI '82, owner of Pool Safety Solutions, lives in Ocean Grove, N.J., with her daughters, Michaela and Madeline.

DEREK WHITE '82, executive vice president and general manager of media and marketing businesses of Boston-based AMP Agency (recipient of *Promo* magazine's 2004



## THE THIRD-ROW SOLDIER IS NOT AN ALUMNUS:

Wherever he goes (and that covers a lot of territory), retired U.S. Army Lt. Gen. Joseph Laposata '60 (standing, center) finds IUP alumni. Or they find him. Such was the case during his recent visit to Ft. Lee, Va., for a Quartermaster General Officer Conference. Maj. James Crowley '90 (front left) assembled a group of Ft. Lee IUP alumni in the Quartermaster Museum. Capt. Carla Terry Peters '92, M'93 is at right front. Standing, left to right: military analyst Robert Lias '85, Lt. Col. Kenneth Spielvogel '81, Anita Sabo Laposata '60, Laposata, logistics management specialist Christine Ambrose Myers '72, and retired Maj. James Myers '72, who is now an operations research system analyst. Crowley's wife, Kelly Forsythe Crowley '92, is also an alumna. A travel note: Fourth largest of the Army's fifty-five museums, the Quartermaster Museum boasts General Ulysses Grant's Civil War saddle, one of Gen. George Patton's two jeeps, and the nation's most extensive collection of U.S. Army uniforms.



## KILLER CARTOONISTS

Durham, N.C., resident **J.P.**

**Trostle '86** is the editor of *Attack of the Political Cartoonists: Insights and Assaults from Today's*. The book includes profiles on cartoonists from every major newspaper in the country, including more than a dozen Pulitzer Prize winners; samples of their work; and a foreword by Senator Russ Feingold. Trostle himself pens cartoons for the *Herald-Sun* in Durham and the *Chapel Hill Herald*. He previously was an editorial cartoonist for the *Sunday Patriot-News* in Harrisburg. His work has been recognized by both Pennsylvania and North Carolina press associations. The book was published by Dark Storm Press.

## DISCOVERY IN TIME

The author of ten nonfiction books, **Janet Comstock Litherland '60** has completed *Discovery In Time*, a novel about the similar lives of two characters who lived a hundred years apart, published by Publish America. Litherland, who owns a writing service company called Write-

Choice Services, also has written feature stories for the Florida Hotel and Motel Journal and assorted national publications. Her nonfiction books include *Absolutely Unforgettable Parties* and *The Complete Banner Handbook*. She lives in Thomasville, Ga.

## THE AVATAR

A member of the legal studies faculty in IUP's Eberly College of Business and Information Technology, **Terry Ray**, through Renegade Press, has published *The Avatar...God, Man, or the Antichrist?* Set in 1993, it tells the story of a man who claims he is

God incarnate and describes how his presence affects modern society establishments. Ray provides an unusual offer to prospective readers. *The Avatar* is divided into four books in a single hardback edition. The first book is available on line with the idea that if readers are not hooked on the book, they don't need to buy the balance. The first book may be found at [www.theavatarthenovel.com](http://www.theavatarthenovel.com).

## POWER OF SIMPLICITY

**Patty Englert Kreamer '87**, president of Kreamer Connect in Pittsburgh, covers how to achieve a simpler, less stressful life in *The*

*Power of Simplicity: Choosing to Live Your Life on Purpose* (Publish Connect). Kreamer, a professional organizer and national speaker, also is the author of *But I Might Need It Someday*.

## HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

The Neil A. Kjos Corporation released *How Firm a Foundation* for SAB choir, organ, and violin, arranged by **Vincent M. Ryan, '94, M'95**. The violin in this arrangement enhances the early American qualities of the tune, while the organ provides a musical foundation and depicts the fire trials.

## SWINGING SPIRITUALS

Three IUP music alumni recently joined forces to create a jazz CD with an original spin on traditional hymns. The collection, *Swing Sweet Spirit*, puts a new twist on sacred tunes with arrangements in the jazz style, mixed with swing, rock, and Latin influences.

**William Stowman '85**, chairperson of the Music Department and professor of Music at Messiah College, brought the school's JazzONE big band and JazzSINGERS vocal ensemble together for the CD. (The JazzSINGERS are directed by Elaine Henderson.)

**Bradley Genevra '89**, the new director of bands for the college, served as the project's producer. All of the arrangements for the twenty-piece JazzONE band and one for the JazzSINGERS are original works by **W. Roy Mitchell '89**, making the CD a large collection of his work. More information is available from Stowman at [wstowman@messiah.edu](mailto:wstowman@messiah.edu).

Agency of the Year award), lives in Newtown, Pa., with his wife, **CAROLYN GRANATA WHITE '83**, a high school teacher with the Pennsburg School District.

**DAN HENRY '84**, a partner in Henry Wealth Management with his brother, **PHIL HENRY '81, M'82**, is owner of Play It Again Sports and lives in Pittsburgh with his wife, **LAURI ZIGLEAR HENRY '84**, and their children, Cara, Julie, Ryan, and Jimmy.

Chair of the Warner Southern College Communication Arts

Department, **JAMES MOYER '84, M'85** was named 2004 Professor of the Year.

**DAVID BLUEMLING '85**, a managing partner for the accounting firm of Malin, Bergquist, and Company, was named a 2004 Fast Tracker by the *Pittsburgh Business Times*. He lives in Wexford with his wife, **SHEILA MOWRY BLUEMLING '85**, and their three sons.

**KEVIN GAYOSH '85**, director of public relations and strategic planning for the advertising firm O'Brien, et. al., lives in Virginia Beach, Va.

**MIKE HALE '85** is exhibiting his artwork in several Pennsylvania galleries this fall. He lives in Gilbertsville with his wife, Rebecca.

Chicago resident **MAUREEN HOGAN '85** is senior vice president of Jones Lang LaSalle and received her M.B.A. from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management.

Vice president and profit center manager of professional liability for Zurich North America and a bagpipe player in a pipeband, **BRIAN BRADEN '86** lives in Briarcliff

Manor, N.Y., with his wife, Lisa, and their children, Alexa and Bennett.

**ELIZABETH ZIPPI BIDA '87**, an organic chemistry professor at Louisiana State University, lives in Shreveport with her son, Pierre.

Pittsburgh resident **GREG CAPRARA '87** is athletic director for Seneca Valley School District in Cranberry, Pa.

**DAN HILINSKI '87** is vice president of human resources for Cooper Wiring Devices, located in Peachtree City, Georgia.





**SHERRI JONES '87**, a clinical nutrition manager at UPMC Shadyside Hospital, received her M.S. in Professional Leadership from Carlow College.

**CHRISTINE PELES '87**, a human resources officer for the Central Intelligence Agency, lives in Fairfax, Va., with her son, Matthew, adopted from Guatemala in November, 2003.

As management supervisor for Arnold Worldwide, **JIM WYLAND '87** oversees all U.S. advertising for the Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey account. He lives in

Mableton, Ga., with his wife, Kim, and daughter, Olivia.

**LESLIE BARILAR CONSTANTINO '88**, a kitchen and bath designer with Great Woods Kitchen Center, and her husband, **BRAD CONSTANTINO '89**, a seventh grade social studies teacher at Punxsutawney Middle School, live in Punxsutawney with their daughter, Jensen. Brad was selected Teacher of the Year by the *Punxsutawney Spirit* newspaper and his students.

A senior loan analyst for United Equity Mortgage Bankers, **CHRISTOPHER LACROIX '88** lives in

Annapolis, Md., with his wife, Jennine, and daughter, Maxine.

A senior attorney with Coventry Health Care, **ALICIA PALMER '88** lives in Fairfax, Va., with her husband, Carlos, and children, Nicholas and Sarah.

**LEE ANN LACKO SMITH '88**, a medical technician with Indiana Regional Medical Center, lives in Clymer with her husband, Kevin, and children, Sarah, Benjamin, Faith, and Bethany.

**DAVID GARTLEY '89** lives in Vandergrift, Pa., with his wife,

Amy, and children, Rachel and Matthew.

Chartmeister Music Publishing, recently launched by **ROY MITCHELL '89**, offers over a thousand of his compositions and arrangements and will include works by other IUP alumni. He lives in Corry, Pa., and more about his work can be found at [www.wroymitchell.com](http://www.wroymitchell.com).

A production manager for Del Monte Foods, **TRACY RUSHE NOCK '89, M'90** lives in Aliquippa, Pa., with her husband, Scott, and son, Marshall.

## WHAT THEY SAID

### SMOKY MOUNTAIN NEWS:

"A program at Western Carolina University is working to improve support for gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered students and employees. Adopting a manual from Indiana University of Pennsylvania's Safe Zone program, representatives sought to expose and critique how sexism, homophobia and anti-gay oppression affect the community, train members of the University and greater campus community to become allies, and promote related workshops, lectures and discussions." ("Western program builds supports for gays," Week of May 26, 2004)

### ASSOCIATED PRESS:

"First, his mother was accused of hiring a hit man to kill her ex-boyfriend. Now, Pennsylvania authorities say 18-year-old Gregory Rowe murdered his 7-month-old daughter and the infant's teenage mother—one day before their child support hearing...Kathy Fisher, the mother of slain 17-year-old Kristin Fisher, said Rowe had the same values as his 'horrible monster' of a mother. Kristin and Kaylee Fisher were discovered by Kathy Fisher on May 4 in their home in Greentown, Pa., about 100 miles north of Philadelphia...Dennis Giever, chairman of

Indiana University of Pennsylvania's criminology department, said parents pass on behavioral traits such as patience and empathy that make offspring less likely to commit crimes. You're essentially looking at patterns of behavior, and they had very similar patterns of behavior, from mother to son,' Giever said, commenting on the alleged premeditation of the two sets of murders." ("Mom: Teen charged in killings had 'horrible monster' for mother," June 8, 2004)

### CHARLOTTE (N.C.) OBSERVER:

"Offenders who don't get counseling are twice as likely to assault their partners again compared with those who don't enroll in the programs, according to two studies done by Indiana University of Pennsylvania." ("Convicted batterers failing to get rehab," June 30, 2004)

### BOSTON GLOBE:

"There are no Clarks in the Clarks. There is singer-guitarist Scott Blasey, guitarist Robert James, bassist Greg Joseph, and drummer Dave Minarik. (All sing, too.) They became the Clarks when, in a desperate search for a name, Joseph and Minarik, working in retail while going to Indiana University of Pennsylvania, realized they'd both waited on customers named Clark in

one week. Luckily, their music shows a little more imagination. They just released [an] album, *Fast Moving Cars*, and are at the Paradise Lounge tonight with Fastball...These fellows make upbeat rock 'n' roll that doesn't veer too far from the good-time center of the rock 'n' roll highway." ("Music That Soothes the Soul" review by Jim Sullivan, August 3, 2004)

### ASSOCIATED PRESS:

"From historical markers to kitschy landmarks like a renovated coffeepot-shaped building near Bedford, the [Lincoln] highway will be commemorated with 250 exhibits along a 200-mile stretch of U.S. Route 30 between Pittsburgh and Gettysburg. Nearly 70 exhibits will be unveiled Aug. 16, and the rest will follow in the next year. 'This is essentially an outdoor museum to highway history,' said Kevin Patrick, a geography professor and Lincoln Highway authority from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. 'By stretching out different components of this, it encourages people to enjoy the route exactly the way it should be enjoyed—and that's by driving.' ("Roadside museum offers insights to first transcontinental highway," August 7, 2004)



**FRANK (TED) SEMETKOSKY '89, '93**, a loss control representative and a certified safety professional for Selective Insurance, lives in Penn Hills, Pa., with his wife, **BRENDA BOYD SEMETKOSKY '89**, and their three-year-old son, Tyson.

**CATHERINE JENNIFER WOLF '89** lives in Ridgewood, N.J., with her husband, Robert, and daughter, Carly.

## 1990s

**JENNIFER DOBROSKI BLACK '90** lives in Washington, Pa., with her husband, Mark, and son, Nathaniel.

Director of housekeeping for the Doral Golf Resort and Spa, **MARC "BOZ" HOLLAND '90** lives in Pembroke Pines, Fla., with his wife, **SHERRI DEMATTEO HOLLAND '91**, and their children, Alec, Parker, and Abigail. He can be contacted at [alpar1@msn.com](mailto:alpar1@msn.com).

**MARK MAHALIK '90**, returns supervisor for Pinch A Penny Pools/Sun Wholesale Supply, lives in Oldsmar, Fla., with his son, Noah.

**SCOTT WAGNER '90**, owner of Wagner's Lawn and Landscape, lives in York, Pa., with his wife, **DEBBIE MYER WAGNER '90**, an accounting assistant, and their sons, Peter and Luke.

**TAMRA LEININGER '91**, merchandising manager for Universal Furniture International's upholstery division, lives in Greensboro, N.C.

**ED MEDICE '91**, owner of Personal Plus Fitness Center, lives in Leechburg, Pa., with his wife, **TERRI CARSON MEDICE '81**, and their daughter, Kirsten.

A study manager employed by Westat, **MARK STEWART '91** received an Excellence in Special Projects award along with his Master of Public Health degree in Global Health Policy from George Washington University. He lives in Gaithersburg, Md., with his wife, Heather, and daughter, Lily.

After spending a year in Iraq, Army Major **DANIEL KUNTZ '92** is relocating to the Third Infantry Division at Hinesville, Ga., with his wife, **BRENDA MALONEY KUNTZ '91**.

A business education teacher at Easton Area High School, **SUSAN LESTER '92** received her doctorate of education from Wilmington College and was the recipient of the 2003 Myra Sadker Award from the Easton branch of the American Association of University Women.

Library director for Avalon Public Library, **SUSAN PETERMAN MCCLELLAN '92** lives in Pittsburgh with her husband, Drew.

A special education teacher with Pittsburgh Public Schools, **DIANE FARRELL MILANAK '92** lives in McDonald with her husband, Matthew, and children, Meghan and Andrew.

# Mentors

**Mentors is a feature that highlights and reports on IUP faculty members, past and present. News of alumni who are also faculty members will continue to appear in Class Notes as well.**

**PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF PSYCHOLOGY ALEXANDER RICH**, along with Ronald Bonner D'88, published a chapter, "Mediators and Moderators of Social Problem Solving," in the book *Social Problem Solving: Theory, Research, and Training*, published by the American Psychological Association.

**PSYCHOLOGY PROFESSOR KRY S KANIASTY** served as a delegate at the International Assembly on Managing Fear last summer in Austin, Tex.

With the assistance of a \$53,550 grant from the National Institutes of Health, **DASEN LUO**, a psychology professor, is examining possible cognitive determinants of mild mental retardation, seeking ways for early and accurate diagnosis.

**THOMAS SHORT**, a mathematics faculty member and coordinator of IUP's Applied Research Lab, has been named a fellow of the American Statistical Association.

A member of the health and physical education faculty in the early 1950s, **MARGARET GISOLO** was inducted into the National Italian Sports Hall of Fame, joining the likes of Joe DiMaggio and Vince Lombardi. Now eighty-nine years old, Gisolo gave up sports only recently. She was a nationally ranked tennis player on the senior circuit until 2000. She began high-profile sports in the early 1940s, touring nationally with a women's baseball team. After teaching at IUP, she began a long career with Arizona State University. News of Margaret's induction came by way of former students Jean Vairo Delia '52 of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Dorothy Jakovac Wratcher '53 of Monroeville, Pa.



## FORMER HAPPY HOUSE

(596 South 7th Street) members from the Class of '82 gathered at the home of Patricia Capriotti Haynes in Media, Pa. Roommate Erin MacLellan Myers (seated) was in the Philadelphia area in May for book signings of her first novel, *Run From the Nun* (reviewed in the Winter-Spring, 2004, issue of *IUP Magazine*). Standing, left to right: Lisa Shahade, Amy Celin Meier, Patty Capriotti Haynes, Linda Jagger Campman, Dina Nunziata Schock



**BETSY CHIMOCK '93, M'94** is assistant director of student leadership and Greek Life for the IUP Center for Student Life.

**WIL FORREST '93**, associate director of housing services at Carnegie Mellon University, lives in Pittsburgh.

**JANET CORRINNE-HARVEY '93**, promotions director for the *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, lives in Latrobe with her husband, Douglas, and daughter, Jameson.

A loss control representative and certified safety professional for Selective Insurance, **DOUG HOYLE '93** lives in Hummelstown, Pa., with his wife, Colleen, and sons, DeJuan and Brian.

**ELAINE JACOBS '93** is assistant managing editor for the *Indiana Gazette*.

**ROBERT McCANNA '93**, national sales manager of firearms for

Remington Arms Company, lives in Oak Ridge, N.C., with his wife, **HEATHER ELKO McCANNA '93**, senior interior designer/project manager for Lambert Architecture.

A senior financial consultant with TIAA-CREF, **JAMIE ROBINSON '93** lives in Hershey with his wife, **TERI EYTCHESON ROBINSON '95**, a teacher at Lower Dauphin High School.

**JAMES BERKOBEN '94, '96** is a supervisor in the audit and assurance services department of Croft, Drozd, and Company in Exton, Pa.

A teacher at Appalachia Intermediate Unit, **SCOTT JUGAN '94, M'00** lives in Johnstown with his wife, **JANE KOPCO JUGAN '95, M'02**, and their son, Brendan. Jane is a school psychologist with the Altoona Area School District.

An open heart recovery nurse with Lee Memorial Health System, **KRISTIN SCHOMER BENTZ '95** lives in Fort Myers, Fla., with her husband, Joseph, and daughter, Sophia.

An operating room nurse, Captain **DWIGHT BERRY '95** works at Malcolm Grow Medical Center at Maryland's Andrews Air Force Base, where he lives with his wife, **NICOLE ADAMS BERRY '94**, and their children, Jacob and Megan.

A senior research scientist for the Universities Space Research Association at NASA Johnson Space Center, **DOUG BOLSTER '95** lives in Houston with his wife, Anjie, and children, Ethan and Olivia.

In recognition of her development of a post-traumatic stress disorder curriculum, Latrobe resident **DEBORAH SLATES-CIOCCO M'95** is receiving the Pennsylvania Juvenile Probation Officer of the Year Award.

**YVONNE METCALFE GREER '95**, director of production and merchandising for Tera International, lives in East Fallowfield, Pa., with her husband, Jimmy.

**KYLIE WEIR HOSTRANDER '95**, visual director for Forman Mills, lives in Marlton, N.J., with her husband, **CARL HOSTRANDER '01**, a computer scientist with Computer Science Corporation.

**NANCY SENGER IRWIN '95**, director of communications for Penn Lakes Girl Scout Council, one of the largest non-profit organizations in northwestern Pennsylvania, lives in Erie with her husband, Jason.

The Pittsburgh wedding ceremony of **JIM LEDA '95** and **LESLIE VANDERHOOF '98** included best man **ROBERT LEDA '99**; groomsmen **MATTHEW BAUER '93**, **STEPHEN WHITBY '94**, and **BRAD PUCKEY '96**; and bridal party members

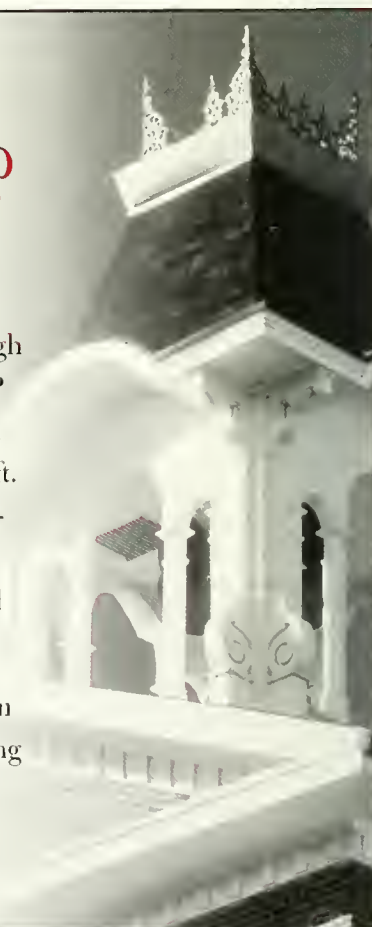
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## Alumni Events

Unless otherwise noted, see [www.iup.edu/alumni/events](http://www.iup.edu/alumni/events) or call 1-800-yes2IUP for more information.

**Be a part of the magic** when the Men's Basketball Team participates in the Disney Tip-Off Classic in Orlando, Fla., November 11-14. Special travel packages include tickets to Disney parks.

**Alumni Jazz Weekend**, November 12-14

**Pittsburgh Chapter Light-Up Night**

**Celebration**, November 19

**Johnstown Chapter Holiday Dinner**,

December 9

## Athletics

For more information about all varsity athletic teams, please see [www.iup.edu/athletics](http://www.iup.edu/athletics) or call Sports Information at 724-357-2747.

## Football

at Edinboro, October 16, 1:00 p.m.

Lock Haven, October 23, 1:00 p.m.

Clarion, October 30, 1:00 p.m.

at California, November 6, 1:00 p.m.

## Men's Basketball

at Bucknell (exhibition), November 6, 7:00 p.m.

vs. Clayton State (Disney Tip-Off), November 12, 3:30 p.m.

at Disney Division II Tip-Off Classic, November 13-14

Penn State McKeesport, November 22, 7:00

at Gary Miller Classic in Erie, November 26-27

Penn State DuBois, December 1, 7:00 p.m.

Millersville, December 4, 3:00 p.m.

Cheyney, December 5, 3:00 p.m.

Juniata, December 8, 7:00 p.m.

at District of Columbia, December 11, 2:00 p.m.

at Kutztown, December 21, 8:00 p.m.

at West Chester, December 22, 8:00 p.m.

Mansfield, January 8, 3:00 p.m.

East Stroudsburg, January 9, 3:00 p.m.

at Lock Haven, January 12, 8:00 p.m.

at Bloomsburg, January 15, 3:00 p.m.

California, January 19, 7:30 p.m.

at Shippensburg, January 22, 3:00 p.m.

Edinboro, January 26, 7:30

District of Columbia, January 29, 3:00 p.m.

at Slippery Rock, February 2, 8:00 p.m.

at Clarion, February 5, 8:00 p.m.

Lock Haven, February 7, 7:30 p.m.

at California, February 9, 8:00 p.m.

Shippensburg, February 12, 7:30 p.m.

at Edinboro, February 16, 7:30 p.m.

Pitt Johnstown, February 19, 7:00 p.m.

Slippery Rock, February 23, 7:30 p.m.

Clarion, February 26, 7:30 p.m.

## Women's Basketball

Shepherd, November 15, 7:00 p.m.

Mercyhurst, November 19, 8:00 p.m.

Saint Vincent, November 20, 8:00 p.m.

at Dominos Pizza Classic in Ashland, Ohio, November 27-28

Millersville, December 4, 1:00 p.m.

Cheyney, December 5, 1:00 p.m.

at Ohio Valley, December 7, 6:00 p.m.

at Kutztown, December 21, 6:00 p.m.

at West Chester, December 22, 6:00 p.m.

Charleston, January 4, 5:30 p.m.

Mansfield, January 8, 1:00 p.m.

East Stroudsburg, January 9, 1:00 p.m.

at Lock Haven, January 12, 6:00 p.m.

at Bloomsburg, January 15, 1:00 p.m.

California, January 19, 5:30 p.m.

at Shippensburg, January 22, 1:00 p.m.

Edinboro, January 26, 5:30 p.m.

at Pitt Johnstown, January 29, TBD

at Slippery Rock, February 2, 6:00 p.m.

at Clarion, February 5, 6:00 p.m.

Lock Haven, February 7, 5:30 p.m.

at California, February 9, 6:00 p.m.

Shippensburg, February 12, 5:30 p.m.

at Edinboro, February 16, 5:30 p.m.

Slippery Rock, February 23, 5:30 p.m.

Clarion, February 26, 5:30 p.m.

## Family Weekend, October 23

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[www.iup.edu/parents/weekend](http://www.iup.edu/parents/weekend)

## Lively Arts

Please call 724-357-2547 for Lively Arts performance information.

***You Can't Take It With You***, Theater-by-the-Grove, Waller Mainstage, November 11-13 and 17-20 at 8:00 p.m. and November 14 at 2 p.m.

***Two Operas: Hansel & Gretel/The Maid as Mistress***, Music Theater, Waller Mainstage, December 1-4, 8:00 p.m.

**Holiday Concert** featuring IUP instrumental and choral ensembles, Gorell Recital Hall, December 12, 3:00 p.m.

**Nego Gato Afro-Brazilian Drum and Dance**, the traditional sounds and movement of Brazil; performance includes members of the IUP Percussion Ensemble, Fisher Auditorium, January 24, 8:00 p.m.

***Candide***, Music Theater, Waller Hall Mainstage, February 17-19 and 23-26, 8:00 p.m., February 20, 2:00 p.m.

## OnStage Arts and Entertainment

Please call 724-357-2315 for details about OnStage performances, which take place at 8 p.m. in Fisher Auditorium.

*42nd Street*, October 22

*The Full Monty*, October 31

Smokey Robinson, November 11

Bill Engvall, November 18

Jethro Tull, November 21

LeAnn Rimes, December 11

*Bring in Da' Noise*, January 26

*Cookin'*, February 9

*Contact*, February 25

Hubbard Street Dance, February 28

*Fiddler on the Roof*, March 23

Count Basie Orchestra with Patti Austin, April 9

## University Museum

For more information, see

[www.arts.iup.edu/museum](http://www.arts.iup.edu/museum)

**Art Quilt Art**, an international exhibition of quilts as art that began at New York's Whitney Museum in the late 1960s, through the fall semester



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MISTY MATESIC '97, AMY CUJAS '98, JENNIFER DUNLAP DOFFLEMYER '98, and CANDICE CEHELIK LEWIS '98, '02. The newlyweds live in Manhattan, where Leslie is a paralegal with UBS and Jim is an assistant vice president at Merrill Lynch. For a photo and more information, please visit Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag/webextra](http://www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag/webextra).

CORRINE ANDERSON LEONARD '95 lives in Des Moines, Iowa, with her husband, Douglas, and their son, Derek.

MIKE BARNETT '96, M'98 earned his doctorate in musical arts from the

University of Colorado at Boulder, where he is an instructor. He was a drummer with the band Phantom Crew for ten years before joining his current group, Tainted Saint. He lives in Boulder with his wife, Maureen.

REBECCA NORRIS WILLS '96, assistant principal at Valley Forge Middle School in Wayne, Pa., lives in Collegeville with her husband, BRYON WILLS '96, and their miniature dachshund, Moose.

The marriage ceremony of CHAD COOKE '97, M'01, a certified athletic trainer and sports medicine

teacher at North Stafford High School (Va.), and Kelli Beers included groomsman ERIC COOKE '94 and bridesmaid LAURIE HERTIG COOKI '94, M'96.

The marriage ceremony of ALLISON GALBRAITH '97, outing and events coordinator for Birkdale Golf Club, and Todd Guilfoyle included bridesmaids LORI TUTTLE DIPIERNO '98, HEATHLER MIKULA '98, and ERIN MONTAG '99. The couple lives in Huntersville, N.C.

The wedding ceremony of Naples, Fla., residents JANCEY McCUNE '97 and Jack Craig included matron of

honor JILL STECK LEWANDOWSKI '97.

Pittsburgh resident BRANDON RPKO '97 received his M.D. degree from Jefferson Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University.

Seaman EDWARD BAYSMORE '98 completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

The wedding ceremony of NICK RINIUS '98, a corporate trainer for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of South Carolina, and AMY KOCHARA '98, accounts payable manager for Cregger Company, included matron of honor KIMBERLY KOCHARA GRIFFITH '94 and best man ANDY RINIUS '02. The newlyweds live in Columbia, S.C.

JAMES SWITZER '98, a certified safety professional, lives in Madison, Wis.

Export, Pa., resident DAWN JUSTICE '99 is an intervention specialist for SPHS Behavioral Health.

The wedding ceremony of CAROLYN WALKER '99, a marketing assistant for Mountain View Inn, and Jason Shank included matron of honor CHRISTINE MCCONNELL '96 and bridesmaid ANGIE CAPOZZI HINES '00. The couple lives in Apollo, Pa.

## 2000s

SARAH CRISPIN '00 received her J.D. degree from Ohio Northern University's Pettit College of Law.

An employee at the Northampton County Juvenile Detention Center, STACEY LOWE BEAN '01 lives in Easton with her husband, Nicholas, and daughter, Rylee-Jade.

CAROLYN LAURO '01, an attorney, lives in Pittsburgh.

NICOLE LECHENE M'03 is career consultant for the Terry College of Business at the University of Georgia in Athens.

SUSAN WENKE '03, operations manager for Dave and Buster's, lives in Frisco, Tex.

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## Lost and Found

BETH GESSNER '90 and LIZA MATUSZEWSKI '92, M'95: Please contact MARIH-FRANCE REYES LONDA '91 at 330-668-3020.

EBERF EJIOMFOR '93: Please contact RUSSELL LUCAS '93 at [rlucas@grblaw.com](mailto:rlucas@grblaw.com).

SHANNON LONG METTAMONO '95: Please contact YVONNE METCALFE GREER '95 at [yegreer@hotmail.com](mailto:yegreer@hotmail.com).

LISA BURKMAN '98: Please contact DAWN JUSTICE '99 at 724-387-2278 or [willie10190@cs.com](mailto:willie10190@cs.com)

## Weddings

### 1970s

JANET HUDZICKI '78 to Lyle Noordhoek, May 21, 2004.

### 1980s

BRIAN BRADEN '86 to Lisa Shrewsbury, May 10, 2001.

### 1990s

JANET CORRINNE '93 to Douglas Harvey, January 19, 2002. JAMIE

ROBINSON '93 to TERI EYCHESON '95, June 19, 2004. JAMES LEDA '95 to LESLIE VANDERHOOF '98, July 3, 2004. TODD POLLOCK '95 to Cheryl Soderberg, November 8, 2003. NANCY SINGER '95 to Jason Irwin, April 17, 2004. CHAD COOKE '97, M'01 to Kelli Beers, June 26, 2004. ALLISON GALBRAITH '97 to Todd Guilfoyle, April 17, 2004. JANCEY McCUNE '97 to Jack Craig, May 29, 2004. AMY KOCHARA '98 to NICHOLAS RINIUS '98, May 22, 2004. CAROLYN WALKER '99 to Jason Shank, May 22, 2004.

### 2000s

STACEY LOWE '01 to Nicholas Bean, October 26, 2003. JENNIFER MOORE '02 to Chad Oliver, June 19, 2004. ROBERT ARNER '03 to LORI SNYDER '04, June 4, 2004.

## Arrivals

### 1970s

To DAVID BARKHYMER '79 and TANA HEFFNER BARKHYMER '79, an adopted daughter, Gina Huijie, January 12, 2002.

### 1980s

To LISA HASSAN DeStefano '80 and Mark DeStefano, an adopted son, Jacob Mark, June 14, 2003. To JAN BIANCHI FREDERICKSON '82 and CHARLIE FREDERICKSON M'91, a son, Cole Jason, March 16, 2004. To KAREN COOPER '85 and Doug Roberts, twins, Alex Nicole and Callie Cooper, November 1, 2003. To PATRICIA DERRICO ORLOWSKI '85 and Joseph Orlowski, twins, Max Joseph and Cole Joseph, February 7, 2003. To CHRISTINE PHIES '87, an adopted son, Matthew Charles, May 10, 2003. To KRISTIN KAUER SCHLEIS '87 and David Schleis, a son, Tyler Shawn, November 13, 2003. To CHRISTINE PINTO AMYGDALOS '88 and Michael Amygdalos, a daughter, Olivia Rose Maria, February 24, 2004. To NANCY MCGUIGAN HEIDER '88 and Mark Heider, a son, Daniel John, May 10, 2003. To CHRISTOPHER LACROIX '88 and Jennine LaCroix, a daughter, Maxine Ramsey, April 29, 2004. To ALICIA PALMER '88 and Carlos Ortega, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, January 5, 2004. To LEE

ANN LACKO SMITH '88 and Kevin Smith, a son, Benjamin Garrett, May 1, 2001, and twins, Faith Marie and Bethany Rose, September 11, 2003. To DAVID GARTLEY '89 and Amy Gartley, a son, Matthew David, February 20, 2004. To TRACY RUSHE NOCK '89, M'90 and Scott Nock, a son, Marshall Robert, May 23, 2004. To CATHERINE JENNERJOHN WOLF '89 and Robert Wolf, a daughter, Carly Julia, April 19, 2004.

### 1990s

To JENNIFER DOBROSKI BLACK '90 and Mark Black, a son, Nathaniel Edward, June 20, 2004. To DEBBIE MYER WAGNER '90 and SCOTT WAGNER '90, a son, Luke David, January 20, 2004. To JIM ALLISON '91 and Larissa Allison, a daughter, Sydney Faith, February 12, 2004. To CHARLIE FREDERICKSON M'91 and JAN BIANCHI FREDERICKSON '82, a son, Cole Jason, March 16, 2004. To MARY BROWN WHITE '91 and BILL WHITE '92, a son, Daniel Joseph, November 12, 1999, a son, Charles John, January 20, 2002, and a daughter, Grace Katherine, March



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13, 2004. To LISA METRIK ANGIOLELLI '92 and Nick Angiolelli, a daughter, Zoe Elizabeth, July 4, 2004. To LAURA CHETSKO DILTS '92 and Matthew Dilts, a daughter, Emma Nicole, March 5, 2002, and a daughter, Samantha Lynn, November 19, 2003. To AMY DALEY McCAFFREY '92 and DREW McCAFFREY '92, a daughter, Emily Kate, April 20, 2004. To JOE McLAUGHLIN '92, M'97 and Stephanie McLaughlin, a son, Andrew Paul, July 10, 2004. To DIANE FARRELL MILANAK '92 and Matthew Milanak, a daughter, Meghan Elizabeth, July 31, 2000, and a son, Andrew Joseph, June 4, 2004. To SCOTT WELLER '92, M'93 and COURTENAY OJARD WELLER '93, a daughter, Emma Paige, March 24, 2002, and a son, Mason Cole, May 24, 2004. To LESLIE SAXTON COSTELLO '93, M'97 and Thomas Costello, a daughter, Marisa Eliana, April 30, 2004. To STEVEN DOMACHOWSKI '93, M'99 and ANDREA GRATA DOMACHOWSKI M'98, a daughter, Hannah Sophie, April 8, 2004. To JANET CORRINNE-HARVEY '93 and Douglas Harvey, a daughter, Jameson Ann, July 1, 2003. To REBECCA IRLARTE BOCHMANN '94 and David Bochmann, a daughter, Trinity Kent, July 5, 2004. To SCOTT JUGAN '94, M'00 and JANE KOPCO JUGAN '95, M'02, a son, Brendan John, December 9, 2003. To LEAH MARKOWICZ RHODES '94 and Geoffrey Rhodes, a son, Micah, June 18, 2004. To KRISTIN SCHOMER BENTZ '95 and Joseph Bentz, a daughter, Sophia Elizabeth, May 16, 2004. To BRIAN KALTENBAUGH '95 and SUSAN WOLBERT KALTENBAUGH '96, a daughter, Molly Sophia, March 29, 2004. To CORRINE ANDERSON LEONARD '95 and Douglas Leonard, a son, Derek Benjamin, January 22, 2004. To ANDREA BERRESFORD MULLIGAN '95 and Ivan Mulligan, a son, Ian Joseph, March 11, 2004. To STACEY DEBIASE CARONE '96 and Mark Carone, a son, Caleb Michael, March 9, 2004. To BRETT HOCK '96 and Angela Hock, a daughter, Alexa Ann, July 21, 2004. To ALLISON DiPERNA SCIULLO '96 and David Sciuillo, a daughter,

Madeline Marie, April 9, 2003. To SCOTT STUCHAL '96 and ANN REESE STUCHAL '00, a son, Cole William, April 16, 2004. To LAURIE SAXTON WOHL '96 and Andrew Wohl, a son, Bryce Logan, March 30, 2004. To NICOLE CARRIGAN HOWE '97 and SCOTT HOWE '97, a daughter, Savannah Ruth, April 7, 2004. To JOHN MCGHEE '97 and MELISSA KLEIN MCGHEE '97, a son, John, July 13, 2004. To TANYA PEQUIGNOI MONTEFUSCO '97 and Nicholas Montefusco, a son, Nicholas Anthony, March 1, 2004. To JESSICA FILSON GOMEZ PALMIERO '99 and David Gomez Palmero, a son, Diego Andrew, June 4, 2004.

## 2000s

To STACEY LOWE BEAN '01 and Nicholas Bean, a daughter, Rylee-Jade Mae, January 9, 2004. To CRYSTAL ALVINE GEORGE '01 and RYAN GEORGE '01, a daughter, Adrienne Crystal, April 29, 2004.

## Deaths

1919: Helen George Coleman

1928: Martha Galer Gates, Mary Phillips Mehok. 1929: Gladys Kelly Hostetler, Rachel Longwill Katzen

1930: Ruth Rink, Anne Santner, Thora Proctor Theodore, Elizabeth George Ward. 1931: Mathilda Wacht Cross, Elizabeth Cunkelman Sell. 1932: Eleanor Lehman Bailey, Anna Glass Empfield, Verda Newell Wilsman. 1933: Mae Brown,

Grace McVicker Kerns, Paul Kunkle, Josephine Slease Myers, Elizabeth Marshall Rushworth. 1934: Lena Knepp Mead, Earl Strong. 1935: Louise Martin Thompson. 1936: Evelyn Claypoole Bracken. 1937: Laura Moser Michael. 1938: Carolyn Segel Beegle

1940: Dorothy Hoey Davis. 1942: Milton Carter, Mildred Gessler Hughes. 1945: Victoria Bennett Wadas. 1947: Paul Deane. 1949: Gertrude Fry

1950: Jane Marshall Ivory. 1957: Marion Pletcher Geisel.\* 1959: Joan Miller Barker, John Selkirk

1960: Doris Adelsberger, William May. 1961: Judith Lightcap Cope. 1966: John Perdeus, Clarice Buechley Winters. 1968: Karen Roach Chepko, William Ogurchak

1970: Karen Eldridge Moats. 1971: Thomas Ploucha, Lois Shaffer Vasbinder. 1972: John Bullington. 1975: Deborah Brouse-Simecek

1982: Kathryn Stratton,\* Daniel Tessauro

1992: Joanna Williams Kissling

\* former faculty or staff member as well as alumnus/a

## Other Deaths

MURIEL BERMAN, a former member of the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education and donor of

numerous works of art to IUP, died April 13, 2004.

CATHERINE CARL, a teacher of organ, piano, and theoretical music subjects at the university from 1945 until her retirement in 1972, died March 10, 2004.

AARON COCHRAN, who starred as a tailback in IUP football's 2001 and 2002 seasons, died August 6, 2004.

ROBERT DUGGAN, who served at various times on both the IUP Council of Trustees and the Board of Directors of the Foundation for IUP, died July 29, 2004.

ROBERT EBERLY, benefactor of IUP's Eberly College of Business and Information Technology and many other recipients of his and his family's philanthropy, died May 19, 2004.

JOHN MALLINO, former executive director of the National Environmental Education and Training Center, which is part of the John P. Murtha Institute for Homeland Security at IUP, died July 20, 2004.

GERALDINE ANGELOFF O'HARE, a doctoral student at IUP, died April 30, 2004.

BOB TIMMONS, who coached football under George Miller and was head coach of men's basketball in the late thirties and forties, died April 29, 2004.



Keith Boyer

## THROUGH THE WOODS:

Last summer, IUP inaugurated another leg of its bike trail system, connecting University Drive near the IUP president's house with the main Indiana-to-Homer City trail. Madison Sabo, left, is riding with her mother, Gail Auth '74.



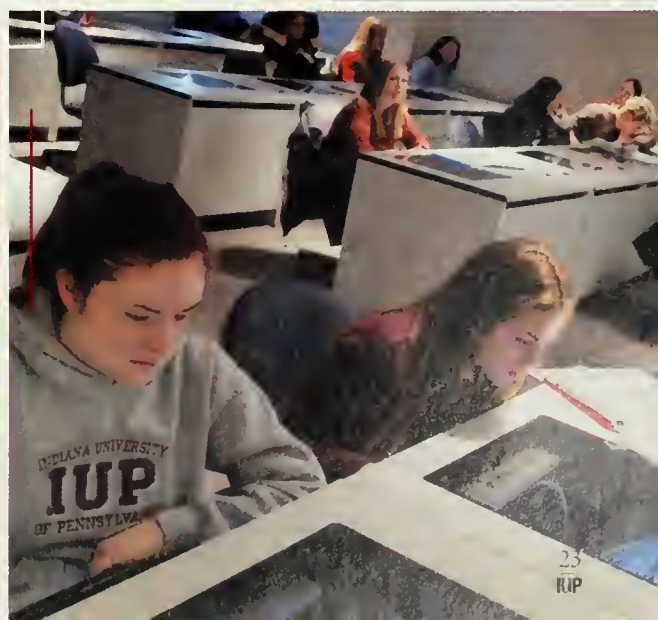
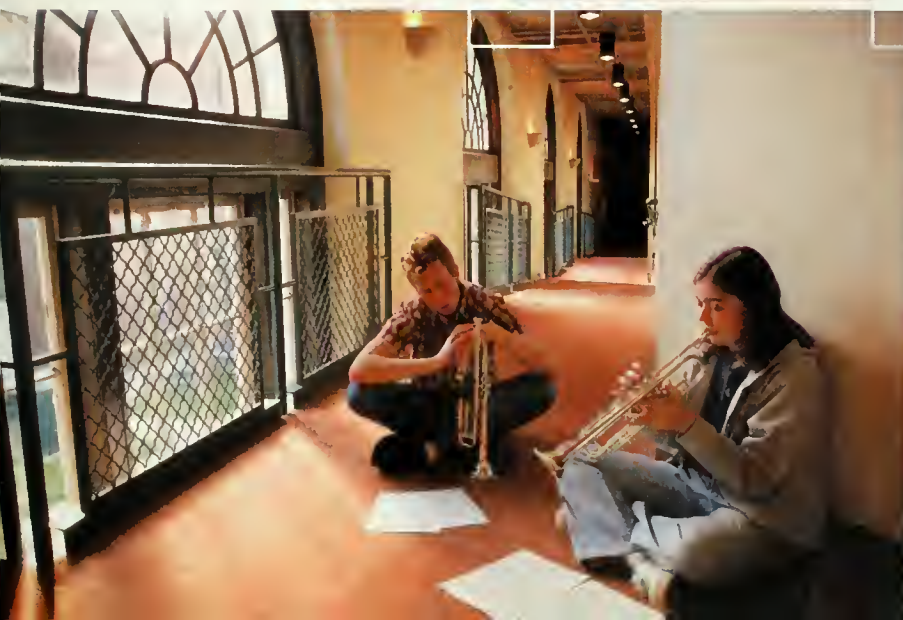


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The student experience encompasses all kinds of sound, or lack thereof: outside Keith, a meditative moment among memorials to Americans killed in Iraq; a nearly-empty residence hall lounge, given over to solitary pursuits; a few minutes of music practice on an upper floor of Waller Hall; and rapt attention to computers in a high-tech classroom.

## THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

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FALL 2004

Villarrial at Bills 2004 training camp  
near Rochester, N.Y.

# Staying Power

The specter of Jim Haslett has loomed over Chris Villarrial from the day he joined the Buffalo Bills in March.

*By Bob Fulton*

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It's no ghostly manifestation Villarrial encounters every time he enters the team's headquarters in Orchard Park, N.Y., but a four-by-six-foot photograph of Haslett in uniform, displayed on a wall alongside images of other greats in franchise history.

The photo serves as a constant reminder to Villarrial of the lofty standard set by his fellow IUP alumnus, who spent eight seasons in the NFL as a linebacker, earned Associated Press Defensive Rookie of the Year honors in 1979, and was selected to Buffalo's Silver Anniversary team in 1984.

Of course, Villarrial has surpassed the current New Orleans Saints head coach by one measure, eclipsing Haslett's record for the most NFL seasons played by an IUP graduate. The 6-foot-3, 318-pound guard has logged nine years in the league, a remarkable achievement in a profession where careers are as fleeting as a J.Lo marriage.

"I guess you can attribute it to a lot of hard work and a lot of luck—staying healthy, staying injury free," says Villarrial, who has also appeared in more games (116 entering the 2004 season) than any other IUP grad. "The average NFL career's about three years. So to be in my ninth season is a big accomplishment."

Villarrial still shakes his head at the wonder of it all—how an

unheralded player from a Division II school found job security in a league where so many others found only pink slips.

"You know, when I first came to IUP, I just wanted the opportunity to get on the field and see what I could do," Villarrial says. "Same with the NFL. I made the Bears the first year, [right guard] Todd Burger went down with an injury, and I ended up starting eight games. Then I became a full-time starter the following year. I've still got to pinch myself every now and then when I run out there. I'm living a dream is how I look at it."

It's a dream he once considered beyond his reach. Granted, Villarrial refined his skills at IUP to such a degree that All-America accolades came his way as a junior and senior. But it wasn't until after he'd played his final down for the Indians that Villarrial allowed himself to believe that his career path might lead to the NFL.

"Some teams started talking to me and I started getting some try-outs, some workouts," he says. "And then I got invited to the NFL Combine. I think when that happened I was kind of like, Wow, this could really happen."

Villarrial made the most of his opportunity at the Combine, a pre-draft gathering of prospects, coaches, and scouts held at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis. Jaws dropped when he made like Pop-eye on a spinach binge and bench-pressed 225 pounds thirty-six times, a feat no other player could match.

The Bears took note and selected Villarrial in the fifth round of the 1996 draft. Though his duties were initially restricted to special teams, he still managed to make an eye-opening first impression in the season opener by manhandling a Dallas Cowboys All-Pro every bit as celebrated as Villarrial was anonymous.

"I blocked Deion Sanders. That's my first NFL moment," he says, relishing the recollection. "We went out for a return, Deion was coming down, and I blocked him. To hit him and stand him up and drive him back, that was a great feeling."

Four weeks later, Villarrial was starting. Burger couldn't dress for a game against Oakland, so coach Dave Wannstedt called on the rookie to fill the breach.

"They came to me on a Saturday morning and told me I was starting Sunday. I didn't get much sleep that night," Villarrial says. "I was going against [All-Pro defensive tackle] Chester McGlockton. I just went out and played as hard as I could. What I remember is from the first snap of the game it was like I blinked my eyes and the play was over. That's how fast everything was."

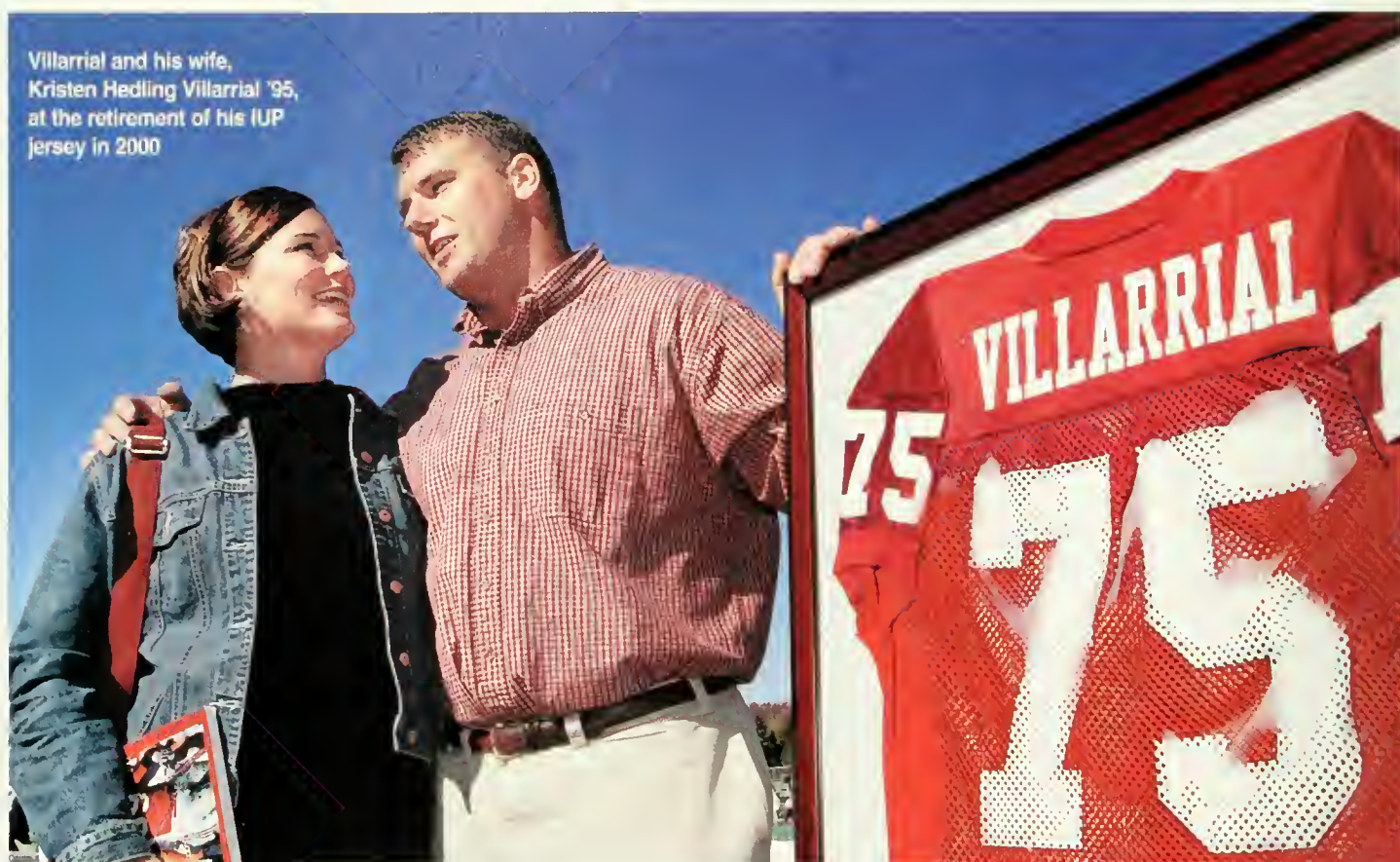
There were times during his rookie year when Villarrial feared he was in over his head, convinced he'd never see a second NFL season, much less a ninth. He felt as if he were teetering on a tightrope, one misstep from disaster.

"Every time you'd screw up, every time you'd mess up a block and

#### IUP GRADS IN THE NFL THROUGH THE 2003 SEASON

	POSITION	YEARS	GAMES
<b>CHRIS VILLARRIAL, 1996-Chicago Bears</b>	G	8	116
<b>JIM HASLETT, 1979-85, 1987 Buffalo Bills, New York Jets</b>	LB	8	93
<b>JOHN JONES, 2000-Baltimore Ravens</b>	TE	4	49
<b>DAVE SMITH, 1970-73 Pittsburgh Steelers, Houston Oilers, Kansas City Chiefs</b>	WR	4	39
<b>LEANDER JORDAN, 2000-Carolina Panthers, Jacksonville Jaguars</b>	G	4	19
<b>HARP VAUGHN, 1933-34 Pittsburgh Steelers</b>	HB-QB	2	19
<b>BRET SHUGARTS, 1987 Pittsburgh Steelers</b>	DE	1	3
<b>JIM ANGELO, 1987 Philadelphia Eagles</b>	G	1	1
<b>BEN LAWRENCE, 1987 Pittsburgh Steelers</b>	G	1	1





Villarrial and his wife, Kristen Hedling Villarrial '95, at the retirement of his IUP jersey in 2000

Keith Boyer

the guy would get hit in the backfield, you'd think, Oh, boy, this is it, I'm gone," Villarrial says. "There was always doubt in the back of your mind."

Villarrial weathered those early trials and soon established himself as a fixture on the Bears' offensive line. He started 109 games, including forty-nine in succession at one point, during his eight seasons in Chicago. The Bears wallowed in mediocrity all the while, with one glorious exception: They finished 13-3 in 2001, won the NFC Central Division championship for the first time in eleven years, and advanced to the playoffs.

"That's my only winning season in the NFL," Villarrial says. "That was probably the biggest highlight of my career. I made third-team All-Pro that year, too. I'm not a guy that talks a lot or is flashy, but to be recognized for that was kind of a big deal for me."

After two more seasons in Chicago—the Bears had since reverted to their losing ways—Villarrial resolved to seek out greener pastures and signed a free-agent contract with the Bills. A team, coincidentally, run by two IUP grads: president-general manager Tom Donahoe '69 and assistant general manager Tom Modrak '65.

"Being an IUP alumnus, you feel like you don't want to let them down," Villarrial says. "So there's a little added pressure."

Living up to the standard set by another IUP product only increases the burden. The specter of Jim Haslett has loomed over Villarrial since the day he joined the Bills and first caught a glimpse of that oversized photograph on the wall.

But now Chris Villarrial can say he's eclipsed Haslett in at least one respect: He has played more seasons in the NFL. And that, by any measure, is an achievement worth celebrating. 🐻

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# Courting Success

By Bob Fulton

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**Yvonne Niederbracht has enrolled in medical school in her native Germany, bent on becoming a healer.**

IT'S AN IRONIC CHOICE, given all the suffering she caused while at IUP.

Niederbracht repeatedly punished opponents on the tennis court, especially during a senior season in which she claimed the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference singles championship, posted a 22-1 record, and was named the PSAC Player of the Year.

"Winning states was really something that I didn't count on at all," said Niederbracht, who defeated Slippery Rock's Jessica Bungo 6-2, 6-4 in the final. "It seemed like everything was going against us."

Niederbracht not only overcame Bungo, the tournament's top seed and the only player to beat her this year. She also overcame a bit of chicanery on the part of Bungo's coach. Niederbracht toiled for two and a half hours on a sweltering afternoon to dispatch Kutztown's Kerstin Kloeffer—a fellow German—in the semifinals. Bungo, conversely, was handed a free pass to the final by arrangement, with teammate Ashley Michaux conceding their semifinal match.

So, while Niederbracht labored, Bungo did nothing more strenuous than swivel her head as she followed the action.

"I'm almost lying on the ground after the match, I'm so tired, and Bungo is sitting next to the court, smiling," Niederbracht said. "Then, I had to play again right away. Usually, you get an hour between matches to relax. But the Bloomsburg coach, who was the tournament director, said he wanted me back out there in half an hour. It was like everything played against us. So going out there and winning was pretty impressive."

That adjective neatly sums up Niederbracht's career at IUP. She finished with 101 victories—a 49-7 record in singles and 52-8 in doubles—and earned All-PSAC first-team honors in each of her three seasons (Niederbracht studied in China as a junior). Her twenty-two singles victories this year and nineteen wins in doubles with senior Jackie Kulp established school records.

So, what made Niederbracht such a dominant force with a racket in her hand?

"Yvonne's number-one attribute is her court sense and just her smart tennis playing," said coach Tony Medvetz, who led IUP to the



Yvonne Niederbracht

winningest season (18-6) in school history and a third consecutive NCAA tournament berth. "It's not her physical conditioning, it's not her physical strength, it's not even her strokes, although they're good, clean strokes. What made her a champion—what makes Yvonne the player that she is—is she can determine pretty easily where a person's weakness is and pick on that weakness. And she's so even-tempered. You can't rattle her. She's also very focused on the court."

Off the court, too. Niederbracht compiled a 3.77 grade-point average as a biology and pre-med major, was named to the Dean's List all six semesters, and was selected as a recipient of the PSAC Top 10 award, which recognizes achievement in the classroom and in athletics. Niederbracht clearly hit the books as hard as she hit forehands and backhands. In fact, tennis ranked second for the player ranked first in the PSAC.

"Looking back, I probably could have compromised my education more and put more effort into tennis, improved more on my game, and maybe made All-America or something," Niederbracht said. "But it was very important to me to balance sports and academics. I don't regret having done it that way."

Even while punishing opponents on the court, Niederbracht's sights never once wavered from medical school. Call it a delicious twist of irony, for the player who caused so much suffering while at IUP will devote her life to healing. 🐾



# Name Droppers

BY BOB FULTON



One of the smallest golf teams in IUP history ended the 2004 season with one of the largest trophy collections. The Indians of coach **Fred Joseph** rolled to the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championship, capping a march through the opposition as devastating as Sherman's march through Georgia. "We had a pretty good year with a very small squad—we only had six guys, so we were very thin," said Joseph, who was named the PSAC Coach of the Year for the fourth time. "But we played pretty well all season. We won four tournaments, which is as many as I can recall winning in a year." IUP flexed its muscles at the PSAC tourney, beating back challenges from Clarion and Millersville to win by a ten-stroke margin. Sophomore **Brian Galica** captured the individual title with a thirty-six-hole total of 145, juniors **Dan Thompson** and **Scott Wildauer** tied for third (150), and sophomore **Eric Anderson** finished in a tie for ninth (154). Those four all-conference performers propelled IUP to its twenty-first PSAC golf crown and denied Millersville its second in succession. "On paper we weren't the favorite—probably Millersville was," said Joseph. "They won the conference last year, they went on to the regional and national tournaments, and they had everybody back. Everybody thought they'd be pretty strong." But the Marauders were no match for an IUP squad that, though small, made a big addition to the school's trophy case.

Former IUP assistant basketball coach **Kevin Reynolds**



reunited with an old colleague when he was named the director of basketball operations at Penn State. Reynolds served under **Kurt Kanaskie**, now an assistant on the Nittany Lions staff, when Kanaskie coached at IUP and at Drake University. A Bloomsburg graduate, Reynolds earned his MBA in 1993 and a master's degree in Industrial and Labor Relations in 1994, both from IUP.

Junior **Becky Bullard** successfully defended her PSAC track and field titles in the 1,500-meter run and the high jump—the latter with a meet-record leap of five feet, nine inches—and finished third in the heptathlon. Thirty-one-year-old sophomore **Mindy Sawtelle** won her second consecutive 5,000-meter championship and placed second in the 3,000. Unfortunately, injuries plagued both at the NCAA Division II meet in Walnut, Calif. Sawtelle, who had run the fastest 10,000 in the nation a month before, aggravated a strained leg muscle and dropped out not quite halfway through the race. She was also forced to withdraw from the 5,000. Bullard couldn't complete the heptathlon after dislocating her shoulder while warming up for the javelin portion of the event. She did finish ninth in the

high jump, missing the All-America cutoff by one place.

**Jessica Pentz '03** was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-America team for cross country and track and field for the second time. Pentz posted a 4.0 grade-point average as a health and physical education major during her undergraduate career and has maintained academic perfection in graduate school, where she is studying exercise science.

IUP was well represented at NFL training camps when teams commenced preseason drills in July. Veterans **Chris Villarrial '96** (guard, Bills), **John Jones '00** (tight end, Dolphins), and **Leander Jordan '00** (guard, Chargers) were looking to make their mark with new teams after changing addresses in the off-season. Guard **Khiawatha Downey** and linebacker **Andrew Battle**, undrafted free agents, were hoping to catch on with the 49ers and Lions, respectively, as *IUP Magazine* went to press. Downey and Battle earned first-team All-PSAC honors last year when the Indians finished 10-1.

**Mike Taylor '95** has begun his fourth season coaching professional basketball in Europe, his second directing the German team ratiopharm Ulm. Taylor, who spent the summer as an assistant coach with the USBL Kansas Cagerz, guided ratiopharm to a 26-4 record in Bundesliga play last year. **Renee Porada '99** has returned as the team's fitness coach.

Sophomore pitcher **Jodie Swavelly** earned first-team berths on the PSAC West and NCAA Division II Mid-Atlantic Region all-star softball teams on the

strength of a 17-7 record, a 1.62 earned run average, and eight home runs, which equaled a school standard. Sophomore catcher **Sarah White** joined Swavelly as a first-team All-PSAC selection after smashing eight home runs—tying her year-old IUP record—batting .320, and leading the team in RBIs (35). She belted three of her homers in a 9-2 win over Slippery Rock, part of a torrid stretch that brought White Louisville Slugger/National Fastpitch Coaches Association Player of the Week honors. Freshman second baseman **Becky Lewis** was named the PSAC West Rookie of the Year after hitting .315 and leading the team in hits (41) and stolen bases (15). The Indians finished 25-16, extending their streak of consecutive seasons with at least twenty-five victories to six.

**Sam Kelly**, who led IUP's Division II club ice hockey team to a 25-10-5 record, was named the American Collegiate Hockey Association Division II Coach of the Year. "It was just a huge honor, an unbelievable honor," said Kelly. "Especially since our division has so many teams [132]. It really took me by surprise." The Indians won the University Hockey League regular-season championship and defeated USC at the national tournament en route to a ninth-place finish. IUP's Division II and Division III teams have compiled a 319-191-41 record in Kelly's fifteen years as head of the school's program.

Senior third baseman **Eric McNeil** earned first-team All-PSAC West honors after pacing IUP in batting average (.381) and tying for the team lead in

RBIs (23). McNeil hit .335 for his career and ranks fourth all-time in hits (154), sixth in runs (89), and tenth in RBIs (72).

The IUP Athletic Hall of Fame inducted its ninth class in August, saluting competitors ranging from the 1890s to the 1990s. The honorees included the late **Nancy Barthelemy**, who coached the women's volleyball and fencing teams to 280 victories; the late **John Brallier**, a former Indiana Normal School quarterback (1893-94) recognized as one of the earliest professional football players; **Al "Duke" Dellavechio '69, M'71**, a middle guard on IUP's All-1960s football team and a co-captain of the storied Boardwalk Bowl squad; **Carol Hoover '82**, a standout pitcher and shortstop on the first four IUP softball teams and a sharpshooter in basketball; **Bob Isenberg '72**, an All-America shortstop who earned all-tournament honors while leading the Indians to a third-place finish at the 1971 NAIA World Series; gymnast **Rose Johnson '91**, a five-time All-American who won two individual Division II national championships and helped IUP capture back-to-back team crowns; **Ed Phipps '83**, the first runner in school history to earn All-America honors in both cross country and track and field; **Les Shoop '69**, who scored 991 career points and sparked the IUP basketball team to a 22-2 record his senior season; the late **Pat Stapleton '49**, a State Senator for thirty years who played on IUP's first PSAC championship golf squad as a senior; and **Ray Tomb '68**, a hard-hitting defensive tackle in football who also participated in wrestling and golf. Their enshrinement swells the population of the Hall of Fame to 105.

Junior attack **Amy Hood** garnered second-team All-PSAC honors in lacrosse after leading IUP in goals (43) and points (53). Hood, who ranked tenth in

the PSAC in goals per game (2.53), has already set school records for career goals (109) and points (132).

**Brett Halter '93**, the throwing events coach for the University of Missouri track and field team, has tutored sixteen All-Americans and nine Big 12 Conference champions in his eleven seasons with the Tigers. One of his protégés, Christian Cantwell, spent most of the year as the top-ranked shot putter in the world. Halter also coaches the U.S. junior national team's throwers.

Senior **Jessica Kulp** joined Yvonne Niederbracht [see accompanying feature] as a first-team All-PSAC selection in tennis, her third appearance on the squad. Kulp, who was 19-5 in singles and teamed with Niederbracht for a 19-2 record in doubles, took part in 117 victories during her IUP career: She was 54-24 in singles and 63-13 in doubles.

The IUP basketball team, which won the PSAC championship in March, will launch its 2004-05 season at the prestigious Disney Division II Tip-Off Classic, to be held Nov. 12-14 at Disney's Wide World of Sports complex in Orlando, Fla. "It's an elite tournament with just a great field," Indians coach **Gary Edwards** said. "The competition will be tremendous." North Dakota, Florida Gulf Coast, Henderson State (Ark.), North Florida, Bentley (Mass.), Barry (Fla.), and Clayton State (Ga.)—IUP's first-round opponent—will also participate. "They very well could be the number one team in the country preseason with what they have coming back and what they've added this year," Edwards said of Clayton State. "You look at their roster, you'd think it was an NBA lineup: there's 6-9, 6-10, 6-10. It's just a huge team. So it's going to be a heck of an opener. We'll know how good we are right away."

## IUP BEYOND THE BOOKS

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maneuverable than a traditional raft. A shredder looks like two inflated pon-toons joined together with a fabric floor. It can be paddled solo or by two people, and it is Luke Timpe's current watercraft of choice.

"I'd like to get a shredder and go across the country and do every river you can do on a shredder, because it's so much fun," he said.

As a whitewater guide, Luke Timpe teaches those in his raft to respond to the water. His technique seems to work—he has never had a customer thrown out of one of his rafts. "A lot of people think they can get on a raft and float down the river, because that's what they're used to at an amusement park," he said. "The river's not like that. You have to stay alert."

Luke Timpe is working on an IUP bachelor's degree in Management Information Systems. His father, who has a bachelor's in Chemistry from Ohio's Wittenberg University, earned a master's degree in Business from IUP in 1978. He is now pursuing a second undergraduate degree at IUP, this time in Spanish for International Trade. He's also a full-time cost accountant for Specialty Tires of America in Indiana.

His interest in rafting and his education at IUP can both be traced back to a former IUP chemistry professor, the late Ed Coleman, in 1969. Jim Timpe had a summer job as a camp counselor and found himself rafting for a week with Laurel Highlands RiverTours, a company started by Coleman, who was one of the first outfitters to run raft trips in Ohio.

"The first time down the river, I didn't know what to expect. By the end of that week, I felt exhilarated. It was a whole new perspective on the outdoors," Jim Timpe said. "For me, it is a unique way to experience nature."

Over the years that followed, Jim Timpe was trained by Coleman's staff and worked as a guide for Coleman's OhioPyle and Canadian raft companies. He was impressed by the hospitality the Colemans showed the guides, making them feel like part of the family.

One of the first guides Jim Timpe met was Joe Kowalski '71. As a student at IUP, Kowalski founded the outdoor club, asking Coleman to be its advisor. Kowalski bought Coleman's Canadian river outfit in its early days and built it into Canada's largest river rafting company, Wilderness Tours.

(Read more about the outdoor club and learn about Kowalski's jet boats on the Niagara Falls rapids on the *IUP Magazine* website [iup.edu/publications/iupmag](http://iup.edu/publications/iupmag) or at [wildernessstours.com](http://wildernessstours.com) and [whirlpooljet.com](http://whirlpooljet.com).)

Over the past three decades, many IUP alumni have worked as guides for Laurel Highlands River Tours, now owned by Mark and Linda McCarty. More on the company can be found on the web at [laurellhighlands.com](http://laurellhighlands.com).

According to Terry Palmo, the company's vice president and general manager, "Both Jim and Luke are excellent—excellent guides and excellent people. There's a great wealth of expertise that comes with knowing the river well. When someone has that love affair with the river, they're sharing how much they enjoy it." 🐾





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Father-and-son IUP students Luke, left, and Jim Timpe on the river at Ohiopyle.  
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